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Park Department

Volume 4.

Boston, February 17. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M. Present messrs Dean, Fenno, and Livermore. Also present messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

A report was received from the Superintendent of the Charlesbank Gymnasium which was read and referred to the Engineer in Charge.

Mr. Howe submitted the following Estimates of work that can be done during the present year.

Office of City Engineer. City Hall.
Boston Feb. 17. 1890.

Hon. Benjamin Dean.
Chairman Board of Park Commissioners.

Dear Sir. The following is the estimated cost of the work contemplated on the Parkway and Franklin Park during the coming season.

Parkway.

Completing roadway, ride and walks between Westland and Huntington Entrances including the northerly side of the latter. . .	$ 15.000. 00
Fen Bridge	35.000. 00
Excavation of Waterway and completing Parkway on Sly side of Longwood Entrance	45.000. 00
Retaining Wall at Brookline Avenue. .	12.000. 00

Franklin Park.

Work in and about Ellicottdale. . .	16.000. 00
Arbor on Schoolmaster Hill. . . .	20.000. 00
Scarborough Hill Road & Terrace. . .	23.000. 00
Walks to Scarborough Hill. . .	3.500. 00
Completion of Glen Lane. . . .	37.000. 00
Circuit Drive from Valley Gates to Columbia St. branch road. . .	26.500. 00
Walks between Circuit Drive & Glen Lane. .	5.700. 00
Completion of Nazingdale Brook . . .	2.000. 00

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Amount brot. forward.	240.700.
Columbia Street Entrance Road. .	15.000.
Southerly End of Greeting. .	35.000.
Loop Road	23.000.
Steam Road Roller . . .	4.500.
Plantations, Plowing, Seeding etc.	30.000
Respectfully submitted.	$ 348.200

E. W. Nore, Asst. Engineer.

which being considered it was.

Voted, that work proceed in 1890 as follows,

To finish Wood Island park road and paths and plant trees on the land now suitable for the work at expense not exceeding . . $ 10.000.

To complete contracts for filling & pier head in Marine Park at expense not exceeding 120.000.

To complete Women's Gymnasium on Charlesbank at expense not exceeding . . . 10.000.

In Back Bay Fens.

To complete Back Bay Fens from Westland avenue to Huntington Avenue at expense not exceeding 15.000

To complete channel, build bridge & build southerly road from Audubon Road to Brookline Avenue & finish planting on prepared ground at expense not exceeding 92.000

In Franklin Park.

To finish draining, grading, planting & walks in Ellicottdale at expense not exceeding 16.000

To finish Scarborough Hill drive & Concourse expense of same being estimated at . . 23.000

To finish Loop drive and walks in Wilderness expense of same being estimated at. 28.000

To complete Glen Lane to Glen Road and to excavate unfinished portion of Glen Lane as far as needed for filling, expense of same being estimated at 11.000

Amt. carried forward.

amt. brt. forward . . . 325.000.

To finish circuit drive from Valley Gate to Columbia street Road, expense of same being estimated at . . . . . 26.500.

To finish walks adjacent to same, expense of same being estimated at . . . 5.700.

To finish Columbia street Road, expense of same being estimated at . . . 15.000.

To finish plantations & grading in general including work on brook in Nayingdale at expense not exceeding . . . . . 32.000.

To carrying on work on Schoolmaster Hill at expense not exceeding . . . . 10.000.

To finish sub-grading & Culvert of road to Walter street, in Arnold Arboretum, at expense not exceeding . . . . . 3.000.

$ 417.200.

Voted, that the Landscape Architects present a preliminary plan of a parkway from Marine Park to Boston street.

Voted, that the Landscape Architects and the Engineer in charge estimate the cost of the driveway along the Muddy River Improvement from Fremont street to Perkins Street according to the earlier and later plans, and report the same to the Board together with the advantages which one plan has over the other.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to cause such surveys to be made as he shall find to be necessary to define the lines of such plan when made and may employ such force as he may deem necessary at an expense not to exceed $2000. and that the work proceed without delay.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan showing suggested location for Temporary Aquarium Building at the Marine Park.

Feb. 17. 1890. A letter was received from John Courtney in regard to his discharge from the Department which was placed on file.

"The following order was received:

"City of Boston, In Common Council,
"February 6. 1890.

"Ordered: That for the purpose of purchasing, or "taking and paying for, such additional lands "for public parks as the Board of Park Commissioners "of said city shall deem desirable and necessary, "the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue "and sell negotiable bonds, or certificates of indebt- "edness of the City of Boston, to the amount of "six hundred thousand dollars, payable on January "1st. 1920, and bearing interest at the rate of three "and one half per cent. per annum, payable semi- "annually on January 1st. ^ July 1st. in each year, and to be "denominated on the face thereof "The Public Park "Loan," the same to be dated and interest to commence "on the day when they are delivered and the money "received, and the Park Commissioners are hereby "authorized to expend said sum for said purpose.

"Ordered: That any premiums or gain obtained "by the Treasurer in the negotiation or sale of said "bonds, or certificates of indebtedness shall be paid "to the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds, "and by them applied to the redemption of the "Public Park Loans. Passed. Yeas 66, Nay 1.

"Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen, "February 10, concurred. Yeas 10, Nays 2.

"Approved by the Mayor February 11, 1890.

"A true copy, Attest. E. A. Curtis. City Clerk".

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, February 24, 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Mess. Dean, Kuhn, and Livermore.
Also present Mess. Olmsted, Jackson & Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

The following bids for furnishing a Steam Road Roller were received and taken under advisement.

Wm. Churchill Castler, New York,
for an Aveling & Porter Roller . . . $ 4,000.
Harrisburg Car Co. Harrisburg Pa. . . 4,700.

Subsequently Mr. John Post Jr. agent for the Harrisburg Co. conferred with the Board and submitted a new tender as follows:

John Post Jr. and Co.
" Mechanical Engineers, 70 Kilby street.
" Boston, February 24, 1890.

" The Park Commissioners.
" City of Boston, mass.
" Gentlemen:- In order to place our first
" Steam Roller in the City of Boston we will
" make a rebate on our bid of $4700. for Steam
" Road Roller of $500. making it forty two hundred
" dollars ($4200.) and leave the Roller running
" in perfect order at Franklin Park, Boston.
" Hoping to be favored with your order, we are
" Respy. Yrs. Harrisburg Car. Mfg. Co.
" by John Post Jr. & Co. Agents."

The Engineer in Charge was directed to examine the Harrisburg Roller at Somerville and report conclusions to the Board.

A hearing was given the petitioners for a parkway running from Boston street, near Washburn street across the Old Colony Railroad and through Lovland, Burnham and Ninth streets to the Marine Park.

Mr. J. S. Dean represented the petitioners and called upon Mr. Augustus Russ, Mr. Clapp, Mr.

Feb. 24. 1890. Kemp and others who favored the plan.
The hearing was then closed.

A request was received from Stephen Cushing M.D. for permission to photograph a bridge in the Back Bay Fens and the Secretary was directed to send Dr. Cushing the permit he desired.

An application from Mr. Fottler representing the Mass. Fish and Game Association for permission to place quail in Franklin Park was granted.

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay Thomas Bernard Ward, son of Patrick Ward alias Thomas B. Ward, deceased, the amount due him on the pay-rolls of this Department, said payment being made at the request of and for the benefit of Catherine Ward, widow of said Patrick.

A request was received from the City Messenger for one or two hundred copies of the Park Report as his supply is exhausted, and the Secretary was directed to supply the City Messenger with the reports he desires.

A communication from the Board of Assessors asking for information of the property in the charge of this Department was received, and the Secretary and Engineer in charge were directed to prepare a list of property as requested for the purposes stated by the Assessors.

The following communications were received and placed on file.

" Boston Society of Natural History
" Boston, Mass. U. S. A. February 24th. 1890.
" Geo. F. Clarke Esq.
" Secretary of the Board of Park Commissioners
" of the City of Boston. Sir: At a meeting
" of the Council of the Boston Society of Natural
" History held on February 19th it was
" Voted: That, having considered the letters from the
" " Park Commissioners dated February 8th and 10th,

"the Clerk be directed to acknowledge the receipt
"of the same and convey their thanks to the Park
"Commissioners for the acceptance of the plan for
"a New England Zoological Garden, a Temporary
"Marine Aquarium, and a Fresh Water Aquarium".

Respectfully Yours, J. Walter Fewkes.
Clerk.

" Office of City Engineer.
City Hall, Boston, February 21. 1890.
" Hon. Benj. Dean.
" Chairman Board of Park Commissioners
" Sir:- In compliance with a request
" of the Mayor I have forwarded him a statement
" of the cost of building the road surfaces at the
" Franklin Park for the year 1889. of which the
" enclosed is a copy. Yours respectfully,
" William Jackson, City Engineer.

" Office of City Engineer.
" City Hall, Boston, February 21. 1890.
" Hon. Thomas N. Hart.
" Mayor. Sir:- The following is the
" cost of the Telford roads at Franklin Park, (ex-
" clusive of sub-grading and gutters) built during the
" year 1889.

The roads were constructed as follows:-
" first a layer of ballast 9 ins. thick, then a layer of
" broken stone 3 ins. thick and a layer of screenings
" and binding gravel just sufficiently thick to
" make a smooth surface.

		Cost per sq. yd. of road surface	
Ballast	Quarrying	0.21	
	Teaming	.033	
	Placing and breaking down	.144	$ 0.387
Broken stone Gravel and Screenings	Quarrying	$ 0.14	
	Crushing	.068	
	Teaming, rolling watering etc.	.394	0.602

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" Total cost per sq. yd. of road surface . $ 0.989

Yours respectfully

(Signed) William Jackson. City Engineer.

Geo. H. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, March 3. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M.

Present Messrs Dean, Fenno, and Livermore.

Also present Messrs Olmsted, Jackson & Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. Hawes representing W. C. Carter of N. Y. came before the Board in regard to the matter of the proposals for a Steam road roller and to offer further evidence if desired of the superiority of the Averling & Porter Roller.

Mr. Stillings of Chadwick & Stillings builders asked the Board to put Charlesgate West between Beacon Street and the river in good order for travel to afford approach to the rear of the block of houses that they are building on the Bay State Road.

In the matter of the Road Roller a communication from Mr. H. M. Whitney was received offering a second hand Averling & Porter Roller for $ 3,500. and the Engineer in charge was directed to offer $ 2,000 for Mr. Whitneys roller.

A petition was received from Citizens of Charlestown in favor of the Bunker Hill site for a public park. Placed on file.

A communication was received from Thomas Callaman Master Workman K. of L. stating that he had been instructed by L. A. 7576 K. of L. (Park Employes) to request a day for recreation in the summer months to enable them to have a picnic and to build up their assistance fund which is used to help sick and

distressed members. Laid over until the next meeting.

A petition was received from the Sub Foremen of the Department asking that the position of Sub Foreman be placed upon a permanent basis during the time of Park Construction thereby allowing full time and full weekly wages. It was Voted, that it is inexpedient to grant the request.

A communication was received from Henry H. Cummings asking permission to run a Steam launch and barge on the Charles River from the Charlesbank boat landing. Referred to the Secretary to confer with Mr. C. M. Partelow and reply.

A communication was received from the Corporation Counsel in relation to a claim for damages from a fall on a walk at the Marine Park and the Secretary was directed to furnish the Corporation Counsel with the facts in the case as reported by the park Keepers.

The City Engineer presented a plan of the sewer from First Street to the sewer in Sixth street part of which it is proposed to run through the Marine Park lands, and it was

Voted, that the Board acquiesces in the proposal for a sewer through the Marine Park provided it be constructed this season and that the location of the manholes be approved by the landscape Architects.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, March 10. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Dean, Fenno, and Livermore

Also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Messrs Choate Burnham, Thomas Hills, Charles Nowell and J. A. Stark were before the Board in reference to the selection of a route for the Parkway to Marine Park.

Mr. Russ representing the owners of estates on Centre Street adjoining the Arboretum, also came before the Board to renew their offer to sell at ten cents per foot.

Mr. William D. Turner, Attorney for the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners asked that the Board consider and determine the matter of the extension of Audubon Road to Beacon Street through which it was desired to extend the new Metropolitan Sewer, in order that the Sewerage Commissioners could go on with their plans.

Mr. Turner was asked to ascertain if the Sewerage Commission could make any contribution to the cost of making the Avenue.

Mr. Howe reported that $3,300 is the lowest price at which Mr. Whitney's Roadroller can be bought and it was

Voted, that the proposal of Wm. C. Oastler to furnish an Aveling & Porter fifteen tons Steel Steam roadroller for $4.000 be accepted.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to procure paving blocks for Franklin Park from J. & R. J. Lombard at $15. per thousand but at a cost not to exceed $2,000.

A communication was received from Alderman Cushing suggesting that this Board provide the funds for the widening and extension of Sigourney Street, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board considered the importance of the matter,

but it does not see its way clear to appropriate park funds to such use.

Voted, that a notice in the following terms be published in the Herald, Globe, Record, and in the Roxbury and South Boston papers.

City of Boston — Department of Parks.

Notice to owners of teams.

Horses and carts will be hired for work in Back Bay Fens, Arnold Arboretum and Franklin Park during the year 1890, in the following manner only.

Applications will be received at the office of the Park Commissioners, No. 87 Milk Street until two o'clock P.M. of Monday March 24, 1890 from those owning teams suitable for the work of the department. A list will then be made of those so applying and those already in the employ of the department, and a number will be publicly drawn by lot for each person on the list; teams will thereafter be hired in the order of the numbers drawn, but no team discharged for cause other than lack of work shall keep its number.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Mr. Fenno and the Secretary attended the meeting of the Committee on Parks at the office of the Clerk of Committees, City Hall, March 13, at 12 o'clock M. on "Estimates".

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, March 14. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Mess. Dean, Fenno and Livermore.

Also present Mess. Olmsted, Jackson & Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. J. W. Lawrence came before the Board in reference to the proposed change of boundary line between Boston and Brookline. Mr. Lawrence stated that the difficulty the Brookline Commissioners labored under was the uncertainty as to the cost resulting from land damages that the town would be put to if the line should be changed before a taking is made, and suggested that the taking might precede the change of line, and the amount which the town should pay for the excess of land received by it by the change of line be determined before hand and provided for by the Act. At the suggestion of Mr. Lawrence it was thereupon

Voted, that this Board will proceed to take the lands on Muddy River before the boundary line is changed between Boston and Brookline and that the Brookline Park Commissioners be informed that in the judgement of this Board $20.000 should be the sum which Brookline should pay to Boston for the land to be carried into Brookline in excess of that to be carried into Boston by the change of line and that the Act changing the Boundary line should authorize said payment.

Mr. N. Henry Crafts came before the Board by invitation to give his views and exhibit his plan of a parkway from Franklin to Marine Park.

Voted, that an offer of the assessed valuation be made through Mr. Russ, to the owners of the estates on Centre Street adjoining the Arnold Arboretum which were offered to the Board at the last meeting at 10 cts. per foot.

Voted, that the Chairman obtain the opinion of the Corporation Counsel as to the authority of the Board to grant the request of the Park laborers for a holiday without loss of pay in order that they may hold a picnic for the benefit of their fund for the relief of sick and distressed members.

The following were received and placed on file.

" Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners.

" Boston March 10. 1890.

" The Park Commissioners of the

" City of Boston. Gentlemen:-

" In accordance with " your request, Mr. Carson has made an esti- " mate of amount of displacement which would " be caused by the sewer, if laid through Audubon " street; this he finds to be fifty-four cubic feet " per running foot of sewer.

" Yours very respectfully, William D. Turner Atty."

" United States Engineer Office.

" Boston, Mass. March 12. 1890.

" Benj. Dean, Esq.

" Chairman Park Commission,

" Boston, Mass.

" Sir: I have the honor to forward here- " with a copy of a report of the U. S. Harbor Line " Board dated January 30. 1890, on the subject of " an extension of the lines at City Point, South " Boston, and a blue print on a scale of 1: 10,000, " illustrative thereof. The report of the Board " was approved by the Honorable the Secretary of " War, February 4. 1890.

" Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

" S. M. Mansfield Lt. Col. of Engineers.

" (one inclosure. -- A blue print in a seperate roll.) "

" U. S. Harbor Line Board.

" Boston, Mass., January 30, 1890,

March 14. 1890.

" The Chief of Engineers,
" United States Army,
" Washington, D.C.

" General: The Harbor Line Board for Boston " Harbor, constituted by S.O. No. 38, Headquarters Corps " of Engineers, August 13, 1888, has the honor to state " that at a session held in this city June 25. 1889, it " submitted to the Secretary of War for approval, in a " report dated July 20, 1889, the State pier head and bulk- " head line across the eastern end of South Boston at " Dorchester Point, which line marked A to C was approved " by the Secretary of War July 27, 1889.

"At the time the report was submitted the Park " Commissioners of the City of Boston, under authority " of State law, were building an iron pier, with solid " abutment, out into the harbor in advance of the " State harbor lines.

"In a letter dated January 28, 1890, the Park " Commissioners made an application to the Board, " that certain changes be made in the approved har- " bor lines adjacent to the iron pier, to conform to plans " prepared by them in connection with the Marine " Park, of which the iron pier is an important feature.

"The Board does not favor any change in the " harbor lines approved by the Secretary of War July " 27, 1889, but in view of the fact that the Park Com- " missioners had been authorized by the legislature of " Massachusetts to extend their structures beyond the " State harbor line, subsequently adopted by the " Secretary of War, and that the pier in question has " been nearly completed, the Board respectfully recom- " mends that the Secretary of War authorize the Park " Commissioners to extend it as far as shown upon the " inclosed chart. Respectfully submitted, (sgd.) " Henry L. Abbot, Colonel of Engineers, Bvt. Brig. Gen., " U.S.A. (sgd.) G. L. Gillespie, Lieut. Colonel of Engineers. " (sgd.) S. M. Mansfield, Lieut. Colonel of Engineers. (sgd.) " H. L. Livermore, Mayor of Engineers. (One tracing attached.)

"City of Boston, In Common Council,
"March 6. 1890.

"Ordered: That the Park Commissioners be requested
" to lay out a "Play-stead" in that part of the Back
" Bay adjacent to Longwood and Huntington avenues.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of
" Aldermen, March 10, concurred. Approved by the
" Mayor March 11. 1890. A true copy.
"Attest: John T. Priest. Asst. City Clerk.
"City of Boston, In Common Council,
"March 6. 1890.

"Ordered: That a special committee of five members
" of the Common Council, with such as the Board
" of Aldermen may join, be appointed to confer
" with the Boston and Albany Railroad Corporation
" and the Board of Park Commissioners in regard
" to adopting a covering to be placed over the tracks
" of the said railroad corporation between West Chester
" Park and Beacon street, similar to the one now in
" use in Fourth Avenue, New York.
" Passed. And Messrs. Lovell, Meyer, Kinney, D. F. Barry,
" and Spring were appointed on said Committee.
" Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
" March 10. concurred. And Aldermen Folsom,
" Barrett and Smith were joined. Approved by
" the Mayor, March 11. 1890. A true copy,
"Attest: John T. Priest. Asst. City Clerk."

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'd.

Boston March 17. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners
was held at its office at 2 P.M.
Present Messrs Dean, Fenno, and Livermore.
Also present Messrs Olmsted Jackson & Howe.
The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

March 17. 1890.

The Trustees and other representatives of the Boston Water Power Company and Mr. Alex. Porter came before the Board to consult in regard to the question of restrictions for buildings on Parkway frontages.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, March 24. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Dean, Fenno, and Livermore,
Also present mess. Olmsted, Jackson & Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Mr. Edward J. Brown and Mr. Frank Welch came before the Board to consult in regard to the line of the proposed parkway from Boston Street to Marine Park through the Andrew's Estate of which they are the trustees.

Mr. Benj. A. Ham also came before the Board to request a hearing for himself and others interested in the proposed parkway as to the line which should be followed, and it was

Voted, that at the request of Mr. Benj. A. Ham a hearing be given to residents and property owners in Washington Village in the matter of the proposed parkway from Boston Street to Marine Park on Monday next at 2 P.M.

An opinion was received from the Corporation Counsel in the matter of the holiday asked for by the Park Laborers, stating that the Board has no authority to give it, which was read and placed on file. The Chairman also presented a reply to the Laborers which he had written in conformity with this opinion and the Chairman's letter was approved. (see letter book 3. p. 885.)

Voted, that the opinion of the Corporation Counsel be asked as to whether the Board has authority to give its employes a holiday on Fast Day without loss of pay.

Mr. Jackson presented the following communication and stated that the iron was stored at Cambridge.

" Chicago, March 20th " 1890.
" Mr. Wm. Jackson, City Engineer
" City Hall, Boston, Mass.
" Dear Sir:- As you are doubtless aware,
" the iron work for the last span of Marine Park
" Pier has been ready for erection for several
" months: but owing, as we understand, to the
" non completion of the substructure we have
" not been able to erect the same. Taking the
" above into consideration you will oblige us by
" having an estimate issued in our favor for
" 75 % of the contract price.
"(Dictated by Shailer.) Yours truly, Shailer & Schmiglau.

And on recommendation of the City Engineer it was,

Voted, that there be paid to Shailer and Schmiglau contractors for the last span of the iron pier at the Marine Park the sum of $2,065 being 70 % of the contract price provided that a suitable storage receipt is given by them to the city.

Voted, that Mr. Olmsted be authorized to expend not exceeding $105. for Peacocks and Pigeons for Franklin Park, and Ducks for the Back Bay Fens.

A drawing by lot was made for the employment of teams on the Public Parks under the advertisement authorized by the Board March 10.

The Chairman reported that he had received a letter from Congressman O'Neil requesting information as to the Area of flats which will be filled

March 24. 1890. in connecting Castle Island with the Marine Park which had been replied to and that he had to day received the following letter.

"House of Representatives. U. S.
"Washington D.C. March 22. 1890.
"Hon. Benj. Dean.
" Chrman Board of Park Commissioners.
"Dear Sir: The Committee on Military affairs have "just met, and I appeared before them for the bill, "which they at once agreed to report. There ought "be no question now as to the passage of the "Resolution on Castle Island. Yr. truly J. H. O'Neil".

The following application of P. Ronca for the refreshment privileges at the Marine Park was received.

"Boston. March 17. 1890.
"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.
"Gentlemen. I desire to hire the building now "occupied by me on Marine Park South Boston— "for one year from May 1. 1890 at an annual "rental of five hundred dollars and agree to abide "by any rules made by your honorable board.
Philip Ronca.

The following communication was received read and placed on file.

"Dictated. Boston, March 20th 1890.
"George F. Clarke Esq. Secretary Park Commissioners.
"87 Milk Street, Boston. Dear Mr. Clarke.
"It is useless to talk about the Park Com— "missioners getting that land for five cents a foot, or "for the assessed valuation of the buildings. The adding "together of prices paid for former parcels and comparing "with the assessed valuation is of no consequence.
"The owners are entitled to the present value of the "land on the street. They repudiate altogether the idea "of selling for five cents, and say they will not sell less "than ten cents. Mr. Kent says he does not see what "it has to do with it, but he did not get from the "insurance company anything like the cost of the

"houses be built there. Yours truly, Augustus Russ."

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston March 31, 1890.

A meeting of the board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present mess. Dean, Fenno and Livermore.

Also present messrs Olmsted and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Hon. L. T. Gallagher presented a petition, signed by residents of and property owners in Washington Village, setting forth "that it is for the interest of South Boston that the communication between the Marine Park, Franklin Park and the Back Bay Park should be by a line running in the same general direction as Ninth Street directly to the junction of Swell Street with Boston Street, and they respectfully but firmly remonstrate against any other of the plans suggested as being of no benefit to the citizens of that section of the City and not furnishing a direct communication between the points mentioned."

Mr. Gallagher called upon Mr. Wm. Tiner, Mr. Benjamin A. Ham, Mr. Lawton and others to testify in behalf of the petitioners.

John H. Finnerty, Patrick Finnerty and a Mr. Maloney came before the Board to protest against the employment of teams on the Parks by men who did not own teams previous to their receiving the notification of their employment, and also to men in other employments and who were not in the teaming business.

Mr. Finnerty gave several names of persons in the two classes which were referred to Mr. Howe to investigate.

March 31. 1890. Voted, that the Board of Health be requested to replace the urinals for men which were formerly on 2 street near Sixth Street, at the Marine Park, in view of the necessity of more accomodations of this kind than the park refectory affords.

Voted, that the Secretary notify the Council of the Boston Society of Natural History that it is the intention of this Board to sell the Sargent House to be removed from the park land.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge be authorized to make necessary repairs to the refectory building at the Marine Park.

The following was received, read and placed on file.

"City of Boston. Office of the Corporation Counsel
"March 28. 1890.

"To the Honorable the Board of Park Commissioners.

"Gentlemen:- I have just received your letter of the "27th inst., asking my opinion, as to whether your board "has authority to, and can properly, give to laborers in the "park department a holiday without loss of pay, on "Fast Day, referring to an opinion which I had the "honor to give to the Board on the 20th inst.-

"Replying thereto, I have to say, that in my opinion "Fast Day is one of the occasions or days when the Board "has authority to and may properly give to, the employees "of the department a holiday without loss of pay.

"Very respectfully, J. B. Richardson, Corporation Counsel."

The following communication was received.

"Dictated Boston March 24th 1890.

"George F. Clarke Esq. Secretary, 87 Milk street,

"Dear Sir:- Mr. Skinner informs me that about 33.000 "feet of his land situated at the corner or junction "of Centre and Walter streets, is conciderably higher "than the street, and has been bored and found to "contain a valuable bed of binding gravel. He says "he can sell the loam and the gravel for several "thousand dollars. I don't know that it would be "of any value to the Arboretum, but I mention it.

"He says that though going back to the old tax "valuations has no bearing upon the question of "the present value of the land, it was taxed, of course "including the Peters land, in Dorchester, in 1872 at "$19.000; in 1874 and '75 for $14.500 by Boston. In "1876. $13,500. Then there was a large deduction "because very large owners in the vicinity, Weld, "Williams and others, made the point that their "lands were held for agricultural purposes, and the "taxation of his land was reduced to theirs.

"However, neither he nor Mr. Peters are obliged "to sell, and they will not sacrifice their lands. "Mr. Kent is in a different position. If the "Park Commissioners are disposed to buy his land "seperate from the others, I might be able to make "terms with them. Yours truly, Augustus Russ."

The Secretary was directed to reply, that the Board will purchase the whole or any part of the lands offered as an addition to the Arboretum near the junction of Centre and Walter Streets, at the assessed valuation.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, April 7, 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Mess. Dean and Fenno. Mr. Livermore being absent from the city.

Also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson & Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Messrs Edward I. Brown, F. Gordon Dexter and J. B. Kendall came before the Board to consult in regard to the proposed widening of the entrance from Brookline Avenue to the Fens.

Mr. W. D. Roes came before the Board to protest against the sale of the Sargent House

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as he thought that the Natural History Society should have the use of the building preliminary to a permanent occupation of the grounds.

The following communication was recvd and read.

"Board of Health, Boston April 2. 1890.
"To Hon. Benjamin Dean. Ch.man Park Commission.
"Dear Sir.- Last autumn the Board of Health
"arranged with Mr. Olmstead to place a floating
"bath-house near the sea wall adjacent to the Charles-
"bank gymnasium, transfering the floating bath-house
"now at Cragie bridge to this locality. A new house
"has been constructed for this purpose, but the board
"now finds that, owing to the shallow water near
"the bank, it will be impossible to locate the house
"there unless a good deal of dredging is done and the
"house is placed at some distance from the wall and
"connected by floats. The board is in some doubt as
"to whether you would prefer to do this dredging or
"allow the house to remain at its old location which
"is about 300 feet away. Will you please communicate
"with the board at an early date that it may be
"governed accordingly. Very respectfully, C. E. Davis Jr. Clk."

Mr. James C. Martin Superintendent of bath houses, also came before the Board to explain the position of matters more fully- after which the matter was referred to Mr. Olmsted for further study.

A request that the Gymnasium be opened at six o'clock in the morning being received from the Students of the Boston University School of Theology it was,

Voted, that the Engineer in charge be authorized to make arrangements for opening the Gymnasium temporarily at 6 o'clock A. M.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge build the requisite railings, gates and other fixtures at the boat landing on Charlesbank.

Voted, that the City Engineer prepare plans and specifications for the construction of the Pier Head Building

and its connection with the iron pier excepting the interior joinerwork.

Voted, that J. A. Hendrie & Brother be permitted to occupy the Shelter at Franklin Park from April 15 to October 15 under the terms of the agreement of ~~April~~ Sept 7. 1889. provided that one hundred dollars per month be paid for the first four months of the season from May 1st.

Voted, that messrs F. L. & J. C. Olmsted be paid the sum of $1,000 for the plan of the Arboretum and that the Chairman approve a draft for said amount in their favor.

Voted, that Mr. Olmsted be authorized to purchase trees to an amount not exceeding $200.

Voted, that Mr. T. W. Barnes be given permission to lay a walk not exceeding 7 feet 4 inches wide through the grass plot on Charlesgate East in front of his door for a carriage landing.

Voted, that Elisha Clarke, Shepherd at Franklin Park, be appointed a Park Police Officer in connection with his said duties, but without pay as such Police officer.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston April, 14. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present meess Dean, Fenno and Livermore.

Also present mess. F. L. & J. C. Olmsted & E. W. Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mess. E. S. Browne and F. G. Dexter came before the Board to confer in regard to the proposed taking of their lands for widening the Entrance to the Fens from Brookline Avenue.

Mr. Wm. H. Lincoln Park Commissioner of

April 14. 1890. Brookline came to inform the Board that the Town of Brookline had appropriated $66.000 for land for the Muddy River Improvement and $150.000 for construction and that the Brookline Commissioners could make their taking immediately.

The Landscape Architects presented a new study for a line for the upper section of the Muddy River Improvement designed to preserve most of the important features of topography with the least additional area of land. Mr. Olmsted stated that the new line effected a saving of about six acres over the last plan, and it was

Voted, that a survey be made of the last proposed line for the upper part of the Muddy River Improvement as drawn by the Landscape Architects.

The following was received:

"City Missionary Society,

"Boston, April 10. 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners. Dear Sir:

"The management of the "Fresh Air Fund" desire "to have a series of picnics for poor people at "Franklin Park, as for several years past during "two weeks beginning July 14th. If permission "is granted the favor will be appreciated.'

"Yours respectfully. D. W. Waldron."

And it was

Voted, that D. W. Waldron representing the management of the "Fresh Air Fund" be permitted to give a series of picnics for poor people at Franklin Park during two weeks beginning July 14th. subject to Park Ordinances and under the direction of the Sergeant of Police.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, April 21. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Dean, Fenno and Livermore.

Also present messrs H. L. & J. B. Olmsted, Wm. Jackson and E. W. Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Messrs F. G. Dexter, Wm. H. Lincoln & E. I. Browne came before the Board in the matter of the proposed widening of the Longwood Entrance, so called, of the Fens and made propositions individually as follows, all based upon the assumption that all the land required for fifty foot streets, adjoining the entrance is to be given free by the abuttors and no betterments to be assessed upon their remaining lands.

Mr. F. G. Dexter,	asked	$2.00 per ft. for 9.311 feet or	$18.622.
Mr. Wm. H. Lincoln,	asked	2.00 " " " 5.703 " "	11.406.
Mr. E. I. Browne,	asked	2.50 " " " 12.887 " "	32.217.50
	and	1.50 " " " 16.486 " "	24.729.
	also damages on remaining land		10.000.
which at the rate of $2.00 per foot			96.974.50
for the other land required or 18.371½ feet			36.743.
Making a total of . . .			$ 133.717.50

Mr. Browne afterwards withdrew his question & damages.

The Board declined the proposition and proposed in return that under the same arrangement as to land for the streets and no betterments the City should pay the assessed valuation for the other land required and build the streets upon which entrance should be allowed subject to the restrictions which had been proposed for frontages on the Fen roads - under which

Mr. Dexter	would be paid	for 9.311 ft. both sides per foot or	$5.586.60
Lincoln & Candler	" " " "	5.703 " 40 " " " "	2,281.20
Binney & Brinton	" " " "	12.887 " 60 " " " "	7.732.20
	and "	16.486 " 40 " " " "	6.594.40
Other owners at assessed value would be paid			22.194.40
			22.734.60
			$ 44.929.00

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The owners did not alter their proposition and withdrew. Mr Olmsted was requested to modify the plan for continuing the roadway on the southerly side by taking as little additional land as possible for the purpose.

Dr. Bryant and state representative Lohier came before the Board to ask that the Board determine what it will do in regard to the extension of Charlesgate East to the river in order that Dr. Bryant can proceed with his plans for building a house upon his adjoining land having the main entrance upon Charlesgate East.

The matter was taken under advisement.

Mr. Moody Merrill came before the Board to suggest a conference with the Street Commissioners in regard to the widening of Columbia street as his company was about to make a lease of the Oakland Garden property for six years and it was desirable that the City should determine the matter of the widening of Columbia street at once, in order that a reservation of the land required might be made in making the lease. The Board agreed to this conference.

Mr. Olmsted presented a revised line for the upper part of the Muddy River Improvement which varied somewhat from the line shown at the last meeting and was designed to secure a much better landscape effect with a comparatively small addition of land. It was thereupon

Voted. that the line for the upper part of the Muddy River Improvement presented this day by the Landscape Architects be approved and that papers be prepared for taking the lands required according to said approved line.

Voted. that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to employ an Assistant in the engineer force at a salary of $2.50 per day.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec.

Boston, April 25. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present messrs Dean, Sohier and Livermore.

Also present messrs J. C. Olmsted and E. W. Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Voted, that papers be prepared for taking land to carry out the plan presented by Mr. Olmsted to day for connecting the Back Bay Fens and Brookline Avenue and that work be begun at once on the connection between Back Bay Fens and Brookline Avenue according to said plan.

The following was received

"20 Pemberton Sq. Boston April 18th. 1890.

"George P. Clarke Esq. Secretary Park Commissioners.

"Dear Sir:- Mr. Kent says if the Commissioners "will give him the barn and the summer house, and "allow him some reasonable time, I should think six "months.- in which to remove them, so that he can "find a suitable place, he will accept the proposition "to take four thousand dollars for his estate. I want "to make the trade before the first of May, however, if "at all. Yours truly, Augustus Russ."

Voted, that there be purchased of Freelove S. Kent for the purposes of a public park a certain parcel of land on Centre Street in that part of Boston which was formerly West Roxbury containing 60,373 square feet, more or less, and being shown on a plan of lands taken from the President and Fellows of Harvard College and others for a public park, drawn by Henry N. Wightman, City Engineer, dated December 30. 1882, on file at the office of this Board; and that there be paid to the said Freelove S. Kent the sum of Four thousand dollars upon her giving a deed for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, containing the limitation for said purposes; and that the Chairman sign a

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request on the Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that Freelove S. Kent be allowed six months in which to remove the barn and summer house standing on the land this day purchased of her.

Voted, that the Secretary inform Dr. William Bryant that the Board will construct so much of that part of Charlesgate East lying between Beacon Street and Charles River as is necessary to secure approach to his contemplated house, with the curbstone at grade 17, at least as far as the main Entrance to the house and as early as its completion.

Mr. Olmsted presented a new line for the parkway along the south shore of South Boston studied with reference to the topography of the shore recently surveyed, and to the connection with the Marine Park. After consideration of the plan it was

Voted, that final plans and descriptions be prepared for taking all the lands and flats lying southerly of the line this day shown by the Landscape Architects for the parkway along the south shore of South Boston and between the easterly line of K Street and a line in extension of the westerly line of Atlantic Street, and the division line between land of the Heirs of P. B. Kent and Choate Burnham.

Mr. Olmsted presented a sketch for a building at the Women's and Children's play ground at Charlesbank and it was

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be authorized to employ Walker & Peet, Architects, to prepare plans for a suitable building for Women & Children at the south end of Charlesbank.

A request was received from Boynton Brothers for permission to land scows on the blocks near the

sluice way on Beacon Street in order to repair them
and it was
Voted, that said request be granted.
Voted, that Edward Mulloy coal Keeper for C. M.
Partelow at Charlesbank, be appointed a park
police officer without pay.
The following was received and read

"Boston, April 21. 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners of Boston.

"Gentlemen: At a meeting of the Committee
"on Window Gardening of Mass. Horticultural Society
"held on Saturday April 19. it was voted to ask your
"honorable body to allow the Children who compete
"for the prizes offered by said Committee, to assemble
"on the Play Stead or in the Shelter at Franklin Park,
"on such day in August next as may be hereafter
"chosen for the purpose? About five hundred
"boys and girls of school age have usually been inter-
"ested in the exhibition held by the Committee in
"the different section of the city. If it should
"seem best to give them a lunch, it would be the
"aim of the Committee to conduct all the affairs in
"the interest of good order, observing carefully the
"regulations imposed upon all visitors to the Park.

"Respectfully yours Henrietta L. T. Wolcott
"Chirman Window Garden Committee."

And it was
Voted, that the request of the Committee on Window
Gardening of the Massachusetts Horticultural
Society be granted, the arrangements therefor to
be made under the direction of the Engineer
in charge.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, April 28, 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present, messrs Dean, Fenno, and Sivenmore;

Also present, mess. J. C. Olmsted, Mr. Jackson & E. W. Howe.

The record of the last meting was read and approved.

Mr. J. B. Kendall representing Mr. Dexter came before the Board and made the following proposition which he thought would be accepted by all the parties in interest in the matter of the Longwood Entrance to the Fens. His proposition was that the Board should pay the Pinney Estate represented by Mr. Browne for 12.887 sq. ft. $1.00 or $12.887.

"	16.486	"	" .65¢ or	10.715.90
Land in street to be given	42.781	"	"	
Lincoln & Candler.	5.703	"	" $1. or	5.703.00
Land in st. to be given.	17.225	"	"	
F. Gordon Dexter.	9.311	"	" 1.50 or	13.966.50
Land in street to be given.	29.435	"	"	
	133.828	"		43.272.40

The average being about 33 cents per foot including land in the streets.

Mr. Wm. H. Lincoln also came before the Board to say that Mr. Candler had left the matter entirely to him and that Mr. Kendall's proposition would be acceptable to them. Subsequently the following reply was made to Mr. Kendall's proposition.

J. B. Kendall Esq.

Dear Sir: The Park Commissioners cannot see their way clear to accepting the terms named by you for the land on the Longwood Entrance to the Back Bay Fens. They cannot exceed the assessed value plus 50 per cent as a total. They are indifferent as to the proportions in which the money shall be divided. Yours respectfully, Signed / Benj. Dean, Chairman.

A Conference was held with the Chairman of the Street Commissioners and Hon. Moody Merrill in regard to the widening of Columbia Street, and the following

resolution was passed.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Board, Columbia Street should be widened by the Street Commissioners to one hundred feet from Franklin Park to Uphams Corner to serve as an Avenue from Franklin Park towards the Marine Park.

Mr. James I. Brooks came before the Board to ask that they consider his claim to further damages which the Board declined to do. He then asked further time in which to move his buildings as two of his children had scarlet fever.

It was thereupon

Voted, that Mr. James I. Brooks agreement to move his buildings before Mar 1st. be extended to June 1st. to which Mr. Brooks agreed.

Voted, that the Water Department be requested to lay a water pipe on the Parkway between Westland and Huntington Entrances.

On the recommendation of the Engineer in Charge it was

Voted, that the pay of the following subordinates of the Engineering force be increased as set against their names.

E.Q.K. Brown	$ 2.75	to	$ 3.00	per day.
T. J. Murphy.	2.00	to	2.50	" "
M. P. Almeida.	1.50	to	2.00	" "
Geo. A. Clough.	2.00	to	2.50	" "
F. W. Jackson.	1.50	to	2.00	" "

The following was received, read and refered to the Landscape Architect and Engineer in Charge.

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" F. L. Livermore, Esq. 40 Water St,

" Dear Sir:— I do not think it is asking too " much to have that portion of the Park, bordering made more presentable. It will not cost much to remove the dirt / " on Seguoia Street, that has been dumped there in " places, level it off, grass it down, and either remove " the fence that now is there, or else replace it by one that

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"is more presentable. Don't the neighborhood worth
"it and can't it be done? Yr. truly M. S. Bolles."

The following was received and a reply made
see letter book 3. p. 910:

"City of Boston, In Common Council Apl. 17. 1890.
"Ordered: That the Park Commissioners be request-
"ed to communicate to the City Council what action,
"if any, they contemplate in the laying out, this
"year, of a "playstead" or play-ground on that part
"of the Back Bay adjacent to Longwood avenue.
"Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
"April 21, concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 22,
"1890. A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

The following were received read & placed on file.
"In Common Council, March 6. 1890.
"Ordered: That the Park Commissioners be re-
"quested to lay out on all public parks over two
"acres in size under their control, suitable play
"grounds for the exclusive use of Boston school
"children. Edward P. Barry." (* See below.)

"City of Boston, In Common Council,
"April 17. 1890.

"The Committee on Public Park Department, to
"whom was refered the order requesting the Park
"Commissioners to lay out on all public parks over
"two acres in size, suitable play-grounds for the exclu-
"sive use of school children, having coneidered the
"same, respectfully recommend reference of the
"order to the Board of Park Commissioners.
"For the Committee, Franklin P. Pierce. Accepted,
"and refered accordingly. Sent up for concurrence.
"In Board of Aldermen, April 21. concurred.
"A true copy. Attest: J. T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

* City of Boston In Common Council March 6. 1890.
Refered to committee on Public Park Department
Joseph O'Kane Clerk of the Common Council.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, April 30. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present mess. Dean, and Livermore. Mr. Fenno being absent from the City. Also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Fenno had notified him of his intended absence and asked that his vote be recorded in favor of the taking of the lands for the Muddy River Improvement and the South Boston parkway on the lines already approved by the Board.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Mr. J. P. Kendall came before the Board in reference to the matter of the offer which he had made at the previous meeting.

The Board estimated the expense of taking sundry lands in the City of Boston, described in the following Act of taking and lying within and near Muddy River, for a public park as follows:

Heirs of Stephen W. Dearborn and Heirs of Albert Brown.		69.728	$ 12.523 27
Jacob Edwards.		55.785	4.144 50
Ditto.		36.500	6.975 78
A person or persons unknown		12.700	
Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston.		141.351	8.762 94
Heirs of Henry P. Pinney and City of Boston.	1/3	7.607	
Ditto.	2/3	5.899	1122 33
A person or persons unknown.		9.058	
Mary E. Palmer.		8.955	5.600
Mary E. Palmer and Grace Stevenson.		800 5	
Carlina H. Clarke.		1.120	560
Grace Stevenson.		13.641 3	4.400
I. Bartlett Patten.		1.136	754 40
Annie I. Coe.		2.311 5	924 60
Mary E. Palmer.		16.436 5	4.411 92
A person or persons unknown.		6.900	
Rosina Leukhardt.		6.668 3	1.333 66

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	A person or persons unknown.	12.240	
	John Briggs.	16.145	600
	A person or persons unknown.	4.635	
	Aspinwall Land Co.	3.452	
	Ditto.	234	
	John R. Hall & Francis W. Carr.	73.410	5872 80
	House of the Good Shepherd.	53.567.9	8035 18
	Patrick Parrett.	19	2 85
	William Finneran.	230	34 50
	Arthur Finnegan.	227	34 05
	Ann Hoben.	446	66 90
	Heirs or Devisees of John Sullivan.	758 7	113 80
	The owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel.	3.325	
	City of Boston.	3.640	
	William Finneran.	4.000	2800
	Patrick Maney.	3.000 (2091)	800
	Bernard Lyons.	6.350	2100
	Alice Noonan.	3.000	600
	Margaret Roach.	3.000	900
	Heirs or Devisees of Thomas Burke.	6.000	1700
	John Crane.	3.000	2600
	Peter E. & Bridget Brandley.	3.000	2200
	Heirs or Devisees of Thomas Mc Mahan.	3.000	1000
	Catherine Nols.	3.000	400
	Conrad Decker.	3.000	2300
	A person or persons unknown	6.295	
	John Devine.	3.000	3400
	Eliza Mc. Keon.	3.576	4900
	William Finneran.	3.910	4600
	Andrew F. Quigley.	3.067	4400
	Andrew Griffin.	3.000	600
	Thomas Salmon.	3.000	2300
	James Coin.	3.000	600
	John Mc. Nally.	3.000	2400
	William Gray.	3.000	1400
	Francis Malley, or Mealy.	4.000	3000
	Thomas Fahey.	2.000	1100

Bartholomew Hickey.	3000	1400
Mary Mc. Geltrick.	3000	1300
James Cahill.	3000	2100
John Garrity.	3000	1900
Thomas Sproules.	3000	1400
Patrick Fay.	3600	1900
Thomas Reynolds.	637.5	159 38
John Prendergast.	554	110 80
Daniel Nyhan.	2727	545 40
Patrick & Bridget Dooley.	170.7	13 65
Heirs or Devisees of J. Anson Guild.	8	64
A person or persons unknown.	29.690	
Charles A. Morss.	596	47 68
George H. Spence.	310	24 80
Hannah Martin.	3245	700
John Martin.	4828	2000
Jeremiah Donovan	6000	900
Charles A. Morss.	102.866	2000
Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson.	1.165.000	35.2048
Lewis May & Ewald Fleitmann.	149.500	4485
George Curtis.	185.250	3705
George H. Burt.	688	2752
Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson.	195.125	5853 75
Henry A. Rueter.	88.950	7916
Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation.	5.900	236
Brookline Land Co. or Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation or both.	19.250	577 50
	2.637.580.9	$ 186.713.28

Expense of sundry lands previously purchased by and now belonging to the City of Boston

243.585.5	
63.216	
66.323	
203.533	
8.868	
13.942.4	
148.943	
71.989	

April 30. 1890.	City of Boston.		3000	
	"	"	3000	
	"	"	3000	
	"	"	3.000	
	"	"	6.000	
	"	"	3.000	
	"	"	10.709	
	"	"	56.031.8	
	"	"	51.154	
	"	"	1.413	
	"	"	308.045	166.640 36
			1.268.752.7	

Fee & soil in a part of Brookline Ave.		20.861
" " " "	Longwood Ave.	14.000
" " " "	Francis Street.	8.993
" " " "	Brookline Ave.	42.353
" " " "	Dorner & Fremont Sts	44.058
		130.265.

Total estimated expense of lands purchased & taken $353.353 64

And passed the following Act of taking:

CITY OF BOSTON.

In Board of Park Commissioners, April 30, 1890.

WHEREAS, the undersigned duly appointed and qualified as the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, by virtue of and according to the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "An act for the laying out of public parks in or near the City of Boston," being chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1875, deem it desirable to take the following described parcels of land for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act. Now, therefore, we the said Board of Park Commissioners, by the authority conferred upon us by the said Act and by the City Council of said City of Boston which has made the appropriations necessary to cover the estimated expenses of our action in the premises, have taken and hereby do take and locate as and for a public park the following described parcels of land, situated in that part of the City of Boston called Roxbury, namely:

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Brookline avenue at land of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, and running southwesterly on said Brookline avenue $362\frac{33}{100}$ feet to Bellevue street, formerly Maple avenue; thence running southwesterly by the curved line of said Bellevue street about 47 feet to land belonging to the Heirs of Lemuel E. Pope; thence running northeasterly and northwesterly by a curved line of 18 feet radius about $45\frac{54}{100}$ feet; thence running northwesterly by a curved line of $1,808\frac{79}{100}$ feet radius 135 feet, and by a curved line of $305\frac{60}{100}$ feet radius 21 feet, all on said land of the Heirs of Lemuel E. Pope, to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs of Stephen W. Dearborn and of Albert Brown; thence running northerly on said last-mentioned land about 468 feet to the centre line of Muddy River; thence running northwesterly and southwesterly by said centre line about 433 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northwesterly by said boundary line 114 feet to the location of the Newton Circuit division of the Boston and Albany Railroad; thence running northeasterly on said location $535\frac{31}{100}$ feet to land of David Sears and others; thence running southeasterly by a curved line of $1,719\frac{12}{100}$ feet radius, on said land of David Sears and others, and on lands of Elizabeth G. Hoyt and others, and the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company, $673\frac{1}{100}$ feet, and by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, on said land of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company $74\frac{39}{100}$ feet; thence running northeasterly by a curved line of 20 feet radius on said last-mentioned land $34\frac{52}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing $243,585\frac{5}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

Also the fee and soil of so much of Brookline avenue and Bellevue street as lies between the curved line of $1,808\frac{78}{100}$ feet radius, which intersects said Brookline avenue at said Bellevue street, and a curved line of $2,148\frac{79}{100}$ feet radius, which intersects said Brookline avenue at a point $347\frac{68}{100}$ feet northeasterly of said first-mentioned line, measuring on said Brookline avenue, containing about 20,861 square feet.

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of Stephen W. Dearborn and the Heirs of Albert Brown, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the easterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $305\frac{60}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running northwesterly by said curved line on land of said Heirs 188 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northerly on said land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston about 395 feet to said land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northeasterly, southeasterly and southerly on said last-mentioned land about 649 feet to the point of beginning, containing 69,728 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the easterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $305\frac{60}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs of Stephen W. Dearborn and of Albert Brown, and running westerly by said curved line on land of the Heirs of Asa P. Hathaway $145\frac{78}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Jacob Edwards; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Jacob Edwards about 341 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land about 215 feet to said land described as taken from the Heirs of Stephen W. Dearborn and of Albert Brown; thence running southerly on said last-mentioned land about 395 feet to the point of beginning, containing 63,216 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Jacob Edwards, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $305\frac{60}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running southwesterly by said curved line 63 feet, and by a curved line of $615\frac{57}{100}$ feet radius 81 feet on other land of said Jacob Edwards to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northwesterly on said land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston about 297 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line and the centre line of the channel of Muddy River about 214 feet to said land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land about 341 feet to the point of beginning, containing 55,785 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $615\frac{57}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from Jacob Edwards, and running southwesterly by said curved line $220\frac{98}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said curved line, $49\frac{86}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $1,887\frac{96}{100}$ feet radius one foot, all on land of Susan N. Clark, to land hereinafter described as taken from Jacob Edwards; thence running northwesterly on said land hereinafter described as taken from Jacob Edwards about 168 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line about 395 feet to said land hereinbefore described as taken from Jacob Edwards; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land about 297 feet to the point of beginning, containing 66,323 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Jacob Edwards, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $1,887\frac{96}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running southwesterly by said curved line on other land of said Jacob Edwards $213\frac{81}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northwesterly on said land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston about 165 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line about 216 feet to said land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land about 168 feet to the point of beginning, containing 36,500 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $1,887\frac{96}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from Jacob Edwards, and running southwesterly by said curved line 15 feet, by a curved line of $573\frac{69}{100}$ feet radius $221\frac{37}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $1,432\frac{69}{100}$ feet radius about $292\frac{91}{100}$ feet, on land of Samuel W. Clifford and others, James Wyman and David W. Foster, trustees, Grace Stevenson, and Knyvet W. Sears; thence running southerly by a curved line of 15 feet radius about $31\frac{74}{100}$ feet on said land of Knyvet W. Sears to land hereinafter described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from a person or persons unknown about 316 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly, southeasterly, and northeasterly by said boundary line about 992 feet to said land described as taken from Jacob Edwards; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land about 165 feet to the point of beginning, containing 203,533 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to a person or persons unknown being part of a private way known as Berner street, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of 15 feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running southwesterly by a straight line about 46 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston; thence running northwesterly, by two lines, on said land described as taken from the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston about $313\frac{50}{100}$ feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line about 41 feet to said land described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, about 316 feet to the point of beginning, containing 12,700 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of 50 feet radius, and distant $30\frac{20}{100}$ feet northwesterly from Plymouth street, and running westerly by said curved line $47\frac{08}{100}$ feet, southwesterly by a straight line, tangent to said curved line, $111\frac{52}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $393\frac{63}{100}$ feet radius $233\frac{3}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 610 feet radius $48\frac{16}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of 20 feet radius $30\frac{34}{100}$ feet, all on other land of said Overseers of the Poor, to Longwood avenue; thence running northwesterly on said Longwood avenue, by two lines, $126\frac{34}{100}$ feet, and on land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston and others about 178 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line about $554\frac{5}{10}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running southeasterly by said last-mentioned land, by two lines, about $313\frac{5}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 141,351 square feet, more or less.

Also the fee and soil of so much of Longwood avenue as lies between the centre line of Muddy River and a straight line drawn between the tangent points of the two curved lines of 20 feet radius, which intersect the northerly and southerly lines of said avenue, at land of the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston, and of Caroline H. Clarke; said avenue being 50 feet in width, containing within said lines about 14,000 square feet.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston and the Heirs of Henry P. Binney, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Longwood avenue at land hereinfore described as taken from the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston, and running northwesterly by said line of Longwood avenue, by two lines, about $164\frac{1}{2}$ feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line about $101\frac{3}{10}$ feet to said land described as taken from the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly by said last-mentioned land about 178 feet to the point of beginning, containing 7,607 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston and the Heirs of Henry P. Binney, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southerly line of Longwood avenue at its intersection with the boundary line between Boston and Brookline, and running easterly by said line of Longwood avenue about 83 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running southwesterly by said last-mentioned land, by two lines, 233 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northerly by said boundary line 210 feet to the point of beginning, containing 5,899 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to a person or persons unknown, being part of a private way known as Longwood street, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southerly line of Longwood avenue at land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston and others, and running easterly on said Longwood avenue about 42 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Mary E. Palmer; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from Mary E. Palmer, and on lands hereinafter respectively described as taken from Grace Stevenson, the City of Boston, and Mary E. Palmer, by four lines, $370\frac{87}{100}$ feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line about 130 feet to said land described as taken from the City of Boston and others; thence ruunning northeasterly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, 233 feet to the point of beginning, containing 9,058 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Mary E. Palmer, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southwesterly line of Longwood avenue at land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown, and running southeasterly on said Longwood avenue $97\frac{27}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Mary E. Palmer and Grace Stevenson; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from Mary E. Palmer and Grace Stevenson $80\frac{1}{10}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Grace Stevenson; thence ruunning northwesterly $56\frac{1}{10}$ feet, northeasterly 5 feet, and northwesterly again $75\frac{1}{10}$ feet, all on said land described as taken from Grace Stevenson, to said land described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land $84\frac{8}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 8,955 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Mary E. Palmer and Grace Stevenson, being a common passage-way, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southwesterly line of Longwood avenue at land hereinbefore described as taken from Mary E. Palmer, and running southeasterly on said Longwood avenue 10 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Caroline H. Clarke; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from Caroline H. Clarke 80 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Grace Stevenson; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Grace Stevenson 10 feet to said land described as taken from Mary E. Palmer; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land $80\frac{1}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing $800\frac{5}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Caroline H. Clarke, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southwesterly line of Longwood avenue at land hereinbefore described as taken from Mary E. Palmer and Grace Stevenson, and running southeasterly on said Longwood avenue $37\frac{50}{100}$ feet to other land of said Caroline H. Clarke; thence running south-westerly by a curved line of 20 feet radius $35\frac{59}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 610 feet radius $7\frac{48}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $1,813\frac{50}{100}$ feet radius $139\frac{86}{100}$ feet, all on said other land of Caroline H. Clarke, to land hereinafter described as taken from I. Bartlett Patten; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from I. Bartlett Patten $1\frac{72}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Grace Stevenson; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land and on said land described as taken from Mary E. Palmer and Grace Stevenson $175\frac{93}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 1,120 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Grace Stevenson, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of said parcel at land hereinbefore described as taken from Mary E. Palmer and Grace Stevenson, and running southwesterly on land hereinbefore described as taken from Caroline H. Clarke $95\frac{93}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from I. Bartlett Patten; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from I. Bartlett Patten, and on land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston, $132\frac{80}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northeasterly on said land described as taken from a person or persons unknown $104\frac{31}{10}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from Mary E. Palmer; thence running southeasterly $75\frac{54}{100}$ feet, southwesterly 5 feet, and southeasterly again $56\frac{5}{10}$ feet, all on said land described as taken from Mary E. Palmer, to said land described as taken from Mary E. Palmer and Grace Stevenson; thence running southeasterly again on said last-mentioned land 10 feet to the point of beginning, containing $13,641\frac{3}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to I. Bartlett Patten, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $1,813\frac{50}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from Caroline H. Clarke, and running southwesterly by said curved line $79\frac{27}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $674\frac{80}{100}$ feet radius $19\frac{74}{100}$ feet on other land of said I. Bartlett Patten to land hereinafter described as taken from Annie I. Coe; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Annie I. Coe $11\frac{7}{10}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northeasterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 88 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from Grace Stevenson; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land and on said land described as taken from Caroline H. Clarke $16\frac{90}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 1,136 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of said parcel at land hereinbefore described as taken from Grace Stevenson, and running southwesterly on land hereinbefore described as taken from I. Bartlett Patten 88 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Annie I. Coe; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Annie I. Coe and on land hereinafter described as taken from Mary E. Palmer $115\frac{4}{10}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northeasterly on said land described as taken from a person or persons unknown $66\frac{7}{10}$ feet to said land described as taken from Grace Stevenson; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $116\frac{9}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 8,868 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Annie I. Coe bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $674\frac{80}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from I. Bartlett Patten, and running southwesterly by said curved line on other land of said Annie I. Coe $95\frac{28}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Mary E. Palmer; thence running northwesterly $26\frac{51}{100}$ feet, and northeasterly $98\frac{5}{10}$ feet on said land described as taken from Mary E. Palmer to land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land and on said land described as taken from I. Bartlett Patten $24\frac{15}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing $2,311\frac{5}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Mary E. Palmer, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $674\frac{80}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from Annie I. Coe, and running southwesterly by said curved line $61\frac{22}{100}$ feet, and southeasterly by a curved line of 20 feet radius $19\frac{44}{100}$ feet on other land of said Mary E. Palmer to land hereinafter described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from a person or persons unknown $153\frac{45}{100}$ feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line 24 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land $115\frac{88}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston $102\frac{90}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from Annie I. Coe; thence running southwesterly $98\frac{5}{10}$ feet, and southeasterly $26\frac{51}{100}$ feet on said last-mentioned land to the point of beginning, containing $16,436\frac{5}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to a person or persons unknown, being part of a private way known as Park street, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of 20 feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from Mary E. Palmer, and running southerly by a straight line about 55 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northwesterly and southwesterly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, $152\frac{89}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land about 60 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line about 36 feet to said land described as taken from Mary E. Palmer; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $153\frac{10}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 6,900 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of 10 feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown, and running southeasterly by said curved line $22\frac{47}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said curved line, $13\frac{16}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $1,146\frac{28}{100}$ feet radius $151\frac{18}{100}$ feet, all on land of Mary E. Palmer, to land hereinafter described as taken from Rosina Leukhardt; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Rosina Leukhardt $60\frac{87}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, $199\frac{5}{10}$ feet to said land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northeasterly and southeasterly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, $152\frac{89}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing $13,942\frac{1}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Rosina Leukhardt, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $1,146\frac{28}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running southwesterly by said curved line on other land of said Rosina Leukhardt $127\frac{5}{10}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from John Briggs; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from John Briggs $61\frac{5}{10}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northeasterly on said land described as taken from a person or persons unknown, by two lines, $128\frac{91}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $60\frac{87}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing $6,668\frac{3}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to John Briggs, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $1,146\frac{28}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from Rosina Leukhardt, and running southwesterly by said curved line $92\frac{1}{100}$ feet, and by a straight line, tangent to said curved line, $21\frac{60}{100}$ feet on other land of said John Briggs to Francis street; thence running northwesterly on said Francis street $79\frac{79}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northeasterly on said land described as taken from a person or persons unknown $107\frac{11}{100}$ feet

to said land described as taken from Rosina Leukhardt; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $61\frac{8}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 7,561 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to a person or persons unknown, being part of a private way known as Longwood street, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Francis street at land hereinbefore described as taken from John Briggs, and running northwesterly on said Francis street $31\frac{20}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from John Briggs; thence running northeasterly and northwesterly on said last-mentioned land about 354 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northerly by said boundary line about 113 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running southeasterly and southwesterly on said land described as taken from a person or persons unknown, and on lands hereinbefore respectively described as taken from the City of Boston, Rosina Leukhardt, and John Briggs, by six lines, about $495\frac{82}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 12,240 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to John Briggs, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Francis street at land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown, and running northwesterly by said line of Francis street, extended, and on land hereinafter described as taken from a person or persons unknown about 106 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly and northwesterly by said boundary line about 309 feet to said land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running southeasterly and southwesterly on said last-mentioned land about 354 feet to the point of beginning, containing 16,145 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to a person or persons unknown, being a part of Francis street, extended, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Francis street at land hereinbefore described as taken from John Briggs, and running southwesterly on said Francis street, as now laid out, 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston, thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston about $125\frac{79}{100}$ feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line about $44\frac{61}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from John Briggs; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land about 106 feet to the point of beginning, containing 4,635 square feet, more or less.

Also the fee and soil of so much of Francis street as lies between the southeasterly line of the parcel of land herinbefore last-described as taken from a person or persons unknown and a straight line drawn between the northerly corner of Francis and Bellevue streets, at land of John Briggs, and the point of intersection of the southwesterly line of said Francis street with a curved line of 60 feet radius, at land of Nancy M. Downer, said street being 40 feet in width, containing within said lines about 8,993 square feet.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southwesterly line of Francis street at its intersection with a curved line of 60 feet radius, and distant $259\frac{26}{100}$ feet northwesterly from Brookline avenue, and running westerly by said curved line $68\frac{83}{100}$ feet, southwesterly by a straight line, tangent to said curved line, $37\frac{85}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 25 feet radius $30\frac{7}{10}$ feet, southeasterly by a curved line of $383\frac{6}{100}$ feet radius $142\frac{49}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $1,408\frac{33}{100}$ feet radius, $132\frac{32}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, $37\frac{56}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $865\frac{97}{100}$ feet radius $31\frac{18}{100}$ feet, and easterly by a curved line of 20 feet radius $39\frac{13}{100}$ feet, all on land of Nancy M. Downer, to Brookline avenue; thence running southwesterly on said Brookline avenue 173 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Aspinwall Land Company; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from the Aspinwall Land Company about 50 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northwesterly by said boundary line about 244 feet to other land hereinafter described as taken from the Aspinwall Land Company; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land about 219 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly, northwesterly, and northeasterly by said boundary line about 810 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land and on said Francis street $392\frac{32}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 148,943 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Aspinwall Land Company, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the division line between land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston and land of the Aspinwall Land Company, at a point distant about 293 feet northwesterly from Brookline avenue, on said line, and running northwesterly by the boundary line between Boston and Brookline about 227 feet to said land described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land about 219 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,452 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Aspinwall Land Company, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Brookline avenue at land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running southwesterly on said Brookline avenue $9\frac{28}{100}$ feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northwesterly by said boundary line about 51 feet to said land described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land about 50 feet to the point of beginning, containing 234 square feet, more or less.

Also the fee and soil of so much of Brookline avenue as lies between the boundary line between Boston and Brookline and a straight line drawn between the tangent points of the two curved lines of 20 feet radius, which intersect the northwesterly and southeasterly lines of said avenue, at lands of Nancy M. Downer, said avenue being 60 feet in width, containing within said lines about 42,353 square feet.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Brookline avenue at a point distant $683\frac{36}{100}$ feet northeasterly from its intersection with the boundary line between Boston and Brookline, and running southerly by a curved line of 20 feet radius $21\frac{20}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $865\frac{97}{100}$ feet radius 103 feet, southwesterly by a curved line of $478\frac{34}{100}$ feet radius $321\frac{38}{100}$ feet, all on land of Nancy M. Downer, to land of John R. Hall and Francis W. Carr; thence running northwesterly on said land of John R. Hall and Francis W. Carr $296\frac{43}{100}$ feet to said Brookline avenue; thence running northeasterly on said Brookline avenue 440 feet to the point of beginning, containing 71,989 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to John R. Hall and Francis W. Carr, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $478\frac{34}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running southwesterly by said curved line $48\frac{23}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $674\frac{69}{100}$ feet radius $127\frac{7}{100}$ feet, on other land of said John R. Hall and Francis W. Carr, to land hereinafter described as taken from the House of the Good Shepherd; thence running westerly on said last-mentioned land $303\frac{97}{100}$ feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly and northwesterly by said boundary line $123\frac{75}{100}$ feet to Brookline avenue; thence running northeasterly on said Brookline avenue $243\frac{36}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $296\frac{43}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 73,410 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the House of the Good Shepherd, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $674\frac{69}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from John R. Hall and Francis W. Carr, and running southwesterly by said curved line $113\frac{73}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said curved line, $51\frac{25}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $1,399\frac{64}{100}$ feet radius $152\frac{27}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $862\frac{57}{100}$ feet radius $155\frac{88}{100}$ feet, all on other land of the House of the Good Shepherd, to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land, and on lands hereinafter respectively described as taken from an owner or owners unknown, the City of Boston and Patrick Barrett, $203\frac{66}{100}$ feet, to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line $143\frac{74}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from John R. Hall and Francis W. Carr; thence running easterly on said last-mentioned land $303\frac{97}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning; containing $53,567\frac{9}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Patrick Barrett, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with the boundary line between Boston and Brookline, and running southeasterly on land hereinbefore described as taken from the House of the Good Shepherd $6\frac{86}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston $1\frac{6}{10}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from William Finneran; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $5\frac{8}{10}$ feet to said boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line $5\frac{1}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 19 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to William Finneran bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with the boundary line between Boston and Brookline, and running southeasterly on land hereinbefore described as taken from Patrick Barrett $5\frac{8}{10}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Arthur Finnegan; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $5\frac{75}{100}$ feet to said boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 230 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Arthur Finnegan, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with the boundary line between Boston and Brookline, and running southeasterly on land hereinbefore described as taken from William Finneran $5\frac{75}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Ann Hoben; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $5\frac{85}{100}$ feet to said boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 227 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Ann Hoben, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with the boundary line between Boston and Brookline, and running southeasterly on land hereinbefore described as taken from Arthur Finnegan $5\frac{65}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 80 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of John Sullivan; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $5\frac{50}{100}$ feet to said boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line 80 feet to the point of beginning, containing 446 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs or Devisees of John Sullivan, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with the boundary line between Boston and Brookline, and running southeasterly on land hereinbefore described as taken from Ann Hoben $5\frac{5}{10}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston, and on lands hereinafter respectively described as taken from Conrad Decher, the City of Boston, Catherine Nols, and the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas McMahan, $140\frac{5}{10}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $5\frac{3}{10}$ feet to said boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line $140\frac{5}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing $758\frac{7}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the boundary line between Boston and Brookline, at land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees

of John Sullivan: thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $5\frac{3}{10}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas McMahan; thence running southwesterly on said last-mentioned land, and on lands hereinafter respectively described as taken from the City of Boston, Peter E. and Bridget Brandley, the City of Boston, John Crane, the City of Boston, Heirs or Devisees of Thomas Burke, the City of Boston, Margaret Roach, Alice Noonan, Bernard Lyons, Patrick Maney, the City of Boston, and William Finneran, $662\frac{75}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running westerly on said last-mentioned land $6\frac{7}{10}$ feet to said boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northeasterly by said boundary line about 665 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,325 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the northerly line of Tremont street, distant 35 feet westerly from the intersection of said line of said street with the westerly line of Downer street, and running westerly on said Tremont street $52\frac{7}{10}$ feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northerly by said boundary line about 95 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running easterly on said last-mentioned land, and on land hereinafter described as taken from William Finneran 24 feet; thence running southerly on said last-mentioned land $89\frac{3}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,640 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to William Finneran, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the northerly line of Tremont street with the westerly line of Downer street, and running westerly on said Tremont street 35 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northerly and westerly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston, by two lines, $107\frac{2}{10}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 8 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running easterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southerly on said Downer street 80 feet to the point of beginning, containing 4,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the westerly line of Downer street, distant 80 feet northerly from the intersection of said line with the northerly line of Tremont street, at land hereinbefore described as taken from William Finneran, and running westerly on said land described as taken from William Finneran 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 45 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Patrick Maney; thence running easterly on said land described as taken from Patrick Maney 65 feet to said Downer street; thence running southerly on said Downer street $41\frac{8}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Patrick Maney, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the westerly line of Downer street, at an angle in said street, and distant $121\frac{8}{10}$ feet northerly from the intersection of said line of Downer street, with the northerly line of Tremont street, and running westerly on land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston 65 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 54 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Bernard Lyons; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Bernard Lyons 70 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Bernard Lyons, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Patrick Maney, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Patrick Maney 70 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 92 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Alice Noonan; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Alice Noonan 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 80 feet to the point of beginning, containing 6,350 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Alice Noonan, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Bernard Lyons, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Bernard Lyons 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Margaret Roach; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Margaret Roach 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Margaret Roach, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Alice Noonan, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Alice Noonan 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Margaret Roach, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Margaret Roach 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas Burke; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas Burke 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas Burke, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 80 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 80 feet to the point of beginning, containing 6,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas Burke, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas Burke 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from John Crane; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from John Crane 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to John Crane, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from John Crane, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from John Crane 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Peter E. and Bridget Brandley; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Peter E. and Bridget Brandley 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Peter E. and Bridget Brandley, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Peter E. and Bridget Brandley, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Peter E. and Bridget Brandley 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 80 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas McMahan; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas McMahan 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 80 feet to the point of beginning, containing 6,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas McMahan, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the owners of the fee of the land occupied by the Brook Channel; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of John Sullivan 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Catherine Nols; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Catherine Nols 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Catherine Nols, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas McMahan, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Thomas McMahan 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of John Sullivan; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Catherine Nols, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Catherine Nols 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of John Sullivan; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Conrad Decher; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Conrad Decher 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Conrad Decher, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of John Sullivan; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street 40 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Conrad Decher, and running northwesterly on said land described as taken from Conrad Decher 75 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of John Sullivan; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land, and on land hereinbefore described as taken from Ann Hoben, Arthur Finnegan, William Finneran, and Patrick Barrett, $166\frac{5}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the House of the Good Shepherd; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from the House of the Good Shepherd $88\frac{33}{100}$ feet to said Downer street; thence running southwesterly on said Downer street $119\frac{51}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 10,709 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to a person or persons unknown, being that part of Downer street which is a private way, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of said parcel at land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and also at land hereinbefore described as taken from the House of the Good Shepherd, and running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $35\frac{33}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said last-mentioned land $200\frac{73}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Patrick Fay; thence running northwesterly by a line perpendicular to said last-described line 30 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from Catherine Nols; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land, and on lands hereinbefore respectively described as taken from the City of Boston, Conrad Decher, and the City of Boston, $219\frac{10}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 6,295 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to John Devine, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the northerly line of Tremont street, distant $134\frac{5}{100}$ feet easterly from the intersection of said line with the easterly line of Downer street, and running westerly on said Tremont street $47\frac{50}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Eliza McKeon; thence running northerly on said land described as taken from Eliza McKeon $83\frac{47}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running easterly and southerly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, $99\frac{85}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Eliza McKeon, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the northerly line of Tremont street, distant 87 feet easterly from the intersection of said line with the easterly line of Downer street, and running westerly on said Tremont street 45 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from William Finneran; thence running northerly on said land described as taken from William Finneran $90\frac{50}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Andrew F. Quigley; thence running easterly and northeasterly on said land described as taken from Andrew F. Quigley, by two lines, $51\frac{47}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from John Devine; thence running southerly on said last-mentioned land $83\frac{47}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,576 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to William Finneran, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the easterly line of Downer street with the northerly line of Tremont street, and running northerly on said Downer street $106\frac{50}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Andrew F. Quigley; thence running easterly on said land described as taken from Andrew F. Quigley $39\frac{65}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Eliza McKeon; thence running southerly on said land described as taken from Eliza McKeon $90\frac{80}{100}$ feet to said Tremont street; thence running westerly on said Tremont street 42 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,910 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Andrew F. Quigley, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly line of Downer street, at an angle in said line, and distant $106\frac{30}{100}$ feet northerly from the intersection of said line of Downer street with the northerly line of Tremont street, and running northeasterly on said Downer street $53\frac{85}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Andrew Griffin; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Andrew Griffin 75 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said last-mentioned land and on land hereinbefore described as taken from Eliza McKeon 28 feet; thence running westerly on said last-mentioned land and on land hereinbefore described as taken from William Finneran $79\frac{30}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,067 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Andrew Griffin, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Andrew F. Quigley, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Thomas Salmon; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Thomas Salmon 75 feet, to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 40 feet to said land described as taken from Andrew F. Quigley; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Thomas Salmon, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Andrew Griffin, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from James Coin; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from James Coin 75 feet, to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 40 feet to said land described as taken from Andrew Griffin; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to James Coin, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Thomas Salmon, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly and southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston, by two lines, 115 feet to said land described as taken from Thomas Salmon; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to John McNally, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from William Gray; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from William Gray 75 feet to said land described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly and northwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston, by two lines, 115 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to William Gray, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from John McNally, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Francis Malley; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Francis Malley 75 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 40 feet to said land described as taken from John McNally; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Francis Malley, or Mealy, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from William Gray, and running northeasterly on said Downer street $53\frac{33}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Thomas Fahey; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Thomas Fahey 75 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the city of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the city of Boston $53\frac{33}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from William Gray; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning; containing 4,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Thomas Fahey, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Francis Malley, and running northeasterly on said Downer street $26\frac{07}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Bartholomew Hickey; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Bartholomew Hickey 75 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston $26\frac{07}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from Francis Malley; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 2,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Bartholomew Hickey, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Thomas Fahey, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Mary McGettrick; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Mary McGettrick 75 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the city of Boston 40 feet to said land described as taken from Thomas Fahey; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Mary McGettrick, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Bartholomew Hickey, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from James Cahill; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from James Cahill 75 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 40 feet to said land described as taken from Bartholomew Hickey; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to James Cahill, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Mary McGettrick, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from John Garrity; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from John Garrity 75 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 40 feet to said land described as taken from Mary McGettrick; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to John Garrity, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from James Cahill, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Thomas Sproules; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Thomas Sproules 75 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 40 feet to said land described as taken from James Cahill; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Thomas Sproules, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from John Garrity, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Patrick Fay; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from Patrick Fay 75 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 40 feet to said land described as taken from John Garrity; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Patrick Fay, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Thomas Sproules, and running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running southeasterly, southwesterly, and northwesterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston, by three lines, 145 feet to said land described as taken from Thomas Sproules; thence running northwesterly by a continuation of the last-mentioned line on said last-mentioned land 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,600 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Downer street, at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Patrick Fay, and running northeasterly by said line of Downer street extended, and on land hereinbefore described as taken from a person or persons unknown, $200\frac{52}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the House of the Good Shepherd; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from the House of the Good Shepherd $73\frac{22}{100}$ feet to land of Francis V. Balch, trustee, and Anna Catherine Page; thence running south westerly by a curved line of $862\frac{57}{100}$ feet radius $39\frac{20}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $1,414\frac{37}{100}$ feet radius $123\frac{70}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, $63\frac{30}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 1,779 feet radius $303\frac{04}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, 60 feet, by a curved line of $941\frac{80}{100}$ feet radius $113\frac{6}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $379\frac{40}{100}$ feet radius $16\frac{50}{100}$ feet, and southeasterly by a curved line of $19\frac{14}{100}$ feet radius $41\frac{95}{100}$ feet, all on said last-mentioned land, to Tremont street; thence running westerly on said Tremont street $90\frac{39}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from John Devine; thence running northerly and westerly on said land described as taken from John Devine, by two lines, $99\frac{88}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from Andrew F. Quigley; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land, and on lands hereinbefore respectively described as taken from Andrew Griffin, Thomas Salmon, and James Coin, $136\frac{48}{100}$ feet; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from James Coin 75 feet to said Downer street; thence running northeasterly on said Downer street 40 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from John McNally; thence running southeasterly on said land described as taken from John McNally 75 feet; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land, and on lands hereinbefore respectively described as taken from William Gray, Francis Malley, Thomas Fahey, Bartholomew Hickey, Mary McGettrick, James Cahill, John Garrity, and Thomas Sproules, 360 feet to said land described as taken from Patrick Fay; thence running southeasterly, northeasterly, and northwesterly on said last-mentioned land, by three lines, 145 feet to the point of beginning, containing $56,031\frac{8}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

Also the fee and soil of Downer street as now laid out, and so much of Tremont street and Pond avenue as lies between the boundary line between Boston and Brookline and a straight line drawn between a point on the northerly line of Tremont street, where a curved line of $19\frac{14}{100}$ feet radius intersects said northerly line at land of Francis V. Balch, trustee, and Anna Catherine Page, and the southwesterly corner of Tremont and Heath streets, containing between said lines, including said Downer street, about 44,058 square feet.

A parcel of land belonging to Thomas Reynolds, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southwesterly corner of Tremont and Heath streets, and running southerly on said Heath street $3\frac{5}{10}$ feet to other land of said Thomas Reynolds; thence running westerly on said other land of Thomas Reynolds $101\frac{68}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from John Prendergast; thence running northerly on said land described as taken from John Prendergast $9\frac{25}{100}$ feet to said Tremont street; thence running easterly on said Tremont street $102\frac{8}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning. containing $637\frac{5}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to John Prendergast, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly line of Tremont street, distant $102\frac{8}{10}$ feet westerly from Heath street, and running southerly on land hereinbefore described as taken from Thomas Reynolds $9\frac{25}{100}$ feet to other land of said John Prendergast; thence running westerly on said other land of John Prendergast, by a straight line $33\frac{97}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of 40 feet radius $16\frac{73}{100}$ feet, to land hereinafter described as taken from Daniel Nyhan; thence running northerly on said land described as taken from Daniel Nyhan $15\frac{63}{100}$ feet to said Tremont street; thence running easterly on said Tremont street $51\frac{40}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 554 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Daniel Nyhan, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of Kimball and Tremont streets, and running easterly on said Tremont street $51\frac{40}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from John Prendergast; thence running southerly on said land described as taken from John Prendergast $15\frac{63}{100}$ feet to other land of said Daniel Nyhan; thence running southerly on said other land of Daniel Nyhan by a curved line of 40 feet radius $39\frac{97}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of 329 feet radius $69\frac{13}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Patrick and Bridget Dooley; thence running westerly on said land described as taken from Patrick and Bridget Dooley $6\frac{8}{100}$ feet to said Kimball street; thence running northerly on said Kimball street $120\frac{6}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 2,727 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Patrick and Bridget Dooley, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly line of Kimball street, distant $120\frac{6}{10}$ feet southerly from Tremont street, and running easterly on land hereinbefore described as taken from Daniel Nyhan $6\frac{0}{100}$ feet to other land of said Patrick and Bridget Dooley; thence running southerly on said other land of Patrick and Bridget Dooley by a curved line of 329 feet radius $1\frac{36}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $1,328\frac{56}{100}$ feet radius $48\frac{89}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of J. Anson Guild; thence running westerly on said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of J. Anson Guild $1\frac{5}{100}$ feet to said Kimball street; thence running northerly on said Kimball street 50 feet to the point of beginning, containing $170\frac{7}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs or Devisees of J. Anson Guild, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly line of Kimball street, distant $170\frac{6}{10}$ feet southerly from Tremont street, and running easterly on land hereinbefore described as taken from Patrick and Bridget Dooley $1\frac{15}{100}$ feet to other land of the Heirs or Devisees of J. Anson Guild; thence running southerly on said last-mentioned land by a curved line of $1,328\frac{56}{100}$ feet radius $14\frac{64}{100}$ feet to said Kimball street; thence running northerly on said Kimball street $14\frac{5}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 8 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to a person or persons unknown, being portions of the private ways known as Kimball and Craft streets, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southerly line of Tremont street at land hereinbefore described as taken from Daniel Nyhan, and running southerly on said last-mentioned land, and on lands hereinbefore respectively described as taken from Patrick and Bridget Dooley, and the Heirs or Devisees of J. Anson Guild $185\frac{1}{10}$ feet to other land of said Kimball street; thence running southerly again by a curved line of $1,328\frac{56}{100}$ feet radius $78\frac{60}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $4,447\frac{50}{100}$ feet radius $225\frac{15}{100}$ feet, and by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, $2\frac{53}{100}$ feet all on said other land of Kimball street to land hereinafter described as taken from Charles A. Morss; thence running southerly again on said last-mentioned land, and on land hereinafter described as taken from George H. Spence $229\frac{50}{100}$ feet; thence running easterly on said last-mentioned land $6\frac{37}{100}$ feet to other land of said Craft street; thence running southerly on said other land of Craft street by a curved line of 4,000 feet radius 30 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson; thence running westerly and northerly on said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson, by two lines, $76\frac{31}{100}$ feet to other land hereinafter described as taken from Charles A. Morss; thence running northerly on said last-mentioned land, and on lands hereinafter respectively described as taken from the City of Boston, Jeremiah Donovan, John Martin, and Hannah Martin, $729\frac{40}{100}$ feet to said Tremont street; thence running easterly on said Tremont street $41\frac{17}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning; containing 29,690 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Charles A. Morss, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly line of Kimball street distant 50 feet northerly from Craft street and running northerly on said Kimball street, $179\frac{50}{100}$ feet to other land of said Charles A. Morss; thence running southerly on said other land of Charles A. Morss, by a straight line $84\frac{26}{100}$ feet and by a curved line of 4,000 feet radius, tangent to said straight line, $95\frac{32}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from George H. Spence; thence running westerly on said land described as taken from George H. Spence $5\frac{91}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 596 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to George H. Spence, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the easterly line of Kimball street with the northerly line of Craft street and running northerly on said Kimball street 50 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from Charles A. Morss; thence running easterly on said land described as taken from Charles A. Morss $5\frac{91}{100}$ feet to

other land of said George H. Spence; thence running southerly on said last-mentioned land by a curved line of 4,000 feet radius 50 feet to said Craft street; thence running westerly on said Craft street $6\frac{37}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 310 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Hannah Martin, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the southerly line of Tremont street with the westerly line of Kimball street, and running southerly on said Kimball street $59\frac{4}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from John Martin; thence running westerly and northerly on said land described as taken from John Martin, by two lines, $120\frac{1}{100}$ feet to said Tremont street; thence running easterly on said Tremont street $51\frac{1}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 3,245 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to John Martin bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southerly line of Tremont street at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Hannah Martin, and running southerly and easterly on said land described as taken from Hannah Martin, by two lines, $120\frac{4}{100}$ feet to Kimball street; thence running southerly on said Kimball street 40 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Jeremiah Donovan; thence running westerly on said land described as taken from Jeremiah Donovan 75 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northerly on said last-mentioned land $115\frac{87}{100}$ feet to said Tremont street; thence running easterly on said Tremont street $25\frac{55}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 4,828 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Jeremiah Donovan, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the westerly line of Kimball street at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from John Martin, and running southerly on said Kimball street 60 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running westerly, northerly, and easterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston, by three lines, 185 feet to said land described as taken from John Martin; thence running easterly on a continuation of the last-mentioned line and on said land described as taken from John Martin 75 feet to the point of beginning, containing 6,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the easterly line of Pond avenue at the boundary line between Boston and Brookline, and running northeasterly on said Pond avenue 40 feet to Tremont street; thence running easterly on said Tremont street $58\frac{55}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from John Martin; thence running southerly on said land described as taken from John Martin $115\frac{87}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from Jeremiah Donovan; thence running westerly, southerly, and easterly on said land described as taken from Jeremiah Donovan, by three lines, 185 feet to Kimball street; thence running southerly on said Kimball street 155 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Charles A. Morss; thence running westerly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, 280 feet, to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northerly by said boundary line about $368\frac{3}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 51,154 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Charles A. Morss, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the westerly line of Kimball street at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from the city of Boston, and running southerly on said Kimball street 415 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson; thence running westerly, northwesterly and northerly on said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson, by three lines, 425 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northerly by said boundary line $660\frac{8}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running easterly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, 280 feet to the point of beginning, containing 102,866 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the westerly line of Kimball street at the division line between said land and land hereinbefore described as taken from Charles A. Morss, and running southerly and easterly on said Kimball street and on Craft street, by two lines, $76\frac{31}{100}$ feet to other land of the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson; thence running southerly by a curved line of 4,000 feet radius $122\frac{34}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $1{,}104\frac{97}{100}$ feet radius $754\frac{50}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $1{,}931\frac{43}{100}$ feet radius $116\frac{70}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, $44\frac{20}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $1{,}114\frac{15}{100}$ feet radius $73\frac{47}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 480 feet radius $176\frac{8}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $1{,}079\frac{65}{100}$ feet radius $68\frac{48}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, $46\frac{85}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $1{,}214\frac{34}{100}$ feet radius $144\frac{75}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of 320 feet radius $151\frac{80}{100}$ feet, all on said last-mentioned land, to land hereinafter described as taken from Lewis May and Ewald Fleitmann; thence running westerly, southerly, and westerly, by three lines, on said land described as taken from Lewis May and Ewald Fleitmann, and on land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston, by three lines, $882\frac{3}{100}$ feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northerly by said boundary line 209 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northeasterly and northwesterly, by two lines, on said land described as taken from the City of Boston 111 feet to said boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running northerly again by said boundary line about 1,976 feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from Charles A. Morss; thence running southerly, southeasterly and easterly on said land described as taken from Charles A. Morss, by three lines, 425 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1,165,000 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the southeasterly line of said parcel with the boundary line between Boston and Brookline and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson, and running northerly by said boundary line 105 feet to said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson; thence running northeasterly and southwesterly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, 111 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1,413 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Lewis May and Ewald Fleitmann, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of 320 feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson, and running southwesterly by said curved line $119\frac{17}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $1{,}782\frac{29}{100}$ feet radius $159\frac{70}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, $51\frac{0}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $808\frac{5}{100}$ feet radius $97\frac{40}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 340 feet radius $186\frac{95}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $778\frac{91}{100}$ feet radius $76\frac{54}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, $39\frac{0}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $805\frac{0}{100}$ feet radius $21\frac{0}{100}$ feet, all on other land of Lewis May and Ewald Fleitmann, to land hereinafter described as taken from George Curtis; thence running northwesterly on said land described as taken from George Curtis $237\frac{3}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northeasterly by a curved line of $564\frac{34}{100}$ feet radius $65\frac{05}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $331\frac{82}{100}$ feet radius $163\frac{11}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $790\frac{81}{100}$ feet radius $70\frac{14}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, 60 feet, and by a curved line of $747\frac{89}{100}$ feet radius $236\frac{93}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson; thence running easterly on said last-mentioned land, by three lines, $329\frac{06}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 149,500 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the boundary line between Boston and Brookline at the southwesterly corner of land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson, and running easterly on said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson $552\frac{17}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from Lewis May and Ewald Fleitmann; thence running southwesterly by a curved line of $747\frac{89}{100}$ feet radius $236\frac{93}{100}$ feet, by a straight line, tangent to said curved line, 60 feet, by a curved line of $790\frac{10}{100}$ feet radius $70\frac{1}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $331\frac{82}{100}$ feet radius $163\frac{11}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $564\frac{34}{100}$ feet radius $65\frac{05}{100}$ feet, all on said land described as taken from Lewis May and Ewald Fleitmann, to land hereinafter described as taken from George Curtis; thence running northwesterly, southwesterly, and southerly on said land described as taken from George Curtis, by three lines, $783\frac{20}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson; thence running westerly, northwesterly and southwesterly on said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson, the Brookline Land Company and the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation or both, and the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation, by seven lines, $948\frac{0}{100}$ feet to Pond avenue; thence running northeasterly on said Pond avenue 17 feet to the boundary line between Boston and Brookline; thence running in a northeasterly direction by said boundary line about 1,781 feet to the point of beginning, containing 308,045 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to George Curtis, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $805\frac{53}{100}$ feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from Lewis May and Ewald Fleitmann, and running southwesterly by said curved line $96\frac{50}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of 460 feet radius $232\frac{20}{100}$ feet, on other land of said George Curtis, to land hereinafter described as taken from George H. Burt; thence running westerly and southerly on said land described as taken from George H. Burt, by two lines, $80\frac{46}{100}$ feet to other land of said George Curtis; thence running southwesterly by a curved line of $787\frac{55}{100}$ feet radius $126\frac{97}{100}$ feet, and by a straight line, tangent to said last-mentioned curved line, $1\frac{80}{100}$ feet, on said other land of George Curtis, to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson; thence running westerly on said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson $220\frac{80}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northerly, northeasterly, and southeasterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston, by three lines, $783\frac{20}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from Lewis May and Ewald Fleitmann; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $273\frac{30}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 185,250 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to George H. Burt, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of 460 feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from George Curtis, and running southwesterly by said curved line $31\frac{90}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $787\frac{55}{100}$ feet radius $6\frac{43}{100}$ feet, on other land of said George H. Burt, to said land described as taken from George Curtis; thence running northerly and easterly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, $80\frac{46}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 688 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of said parcel at its intersection with a straight line, tangent to a curved line of $787\frac{55}{100}$ feet radius, and on land hereinbefore described as taken from George Curtis, and running southwesterly by said straight line $38\frac{10}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $664\frac{10}{100}$ feet radius $85\frac{48}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 220 feet radius $221\frac{66}{100}$ feet, southerly by curved line of $669\frac{15}{100}$ feet radius $88\frac{76}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 1,440 feet radius $73\frac{1}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Henry H. Rueter; thence running westerly, northerly, and westerly on said land described as taken from Henry H. Rueter, by three lines, $186\frac{13}{100}$ feet, to land of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation; thence running northerly and westerly on said land of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation, by two lines, about $442\frac{0}{100}$ feet to land of the Brookline Land Company or the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation or both; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $293\frac{8}{100}$ feet to land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northeasterly, easterly, southeasterly and easterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston and on said land described as taken from George Curtis, by four lines, $758\frac{1}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 195,125 square feet, more or less; subject to whatever

rights the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation acquired in a portion of said parcel of land under its taking under authority of Chapter 182 of the Acts of 1868.

A parcel of land belonging to Henry H. Rueter, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of 1,440 feet radius and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson, and running southerly on said curved line $79\frac{56}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 4,000 feet radius, $186\frac{52}{100}$ feet, and southeasterly by a curved line of $39\frac{39}{100}$ feet radius $54\frac{8}{100}$ feet, all on other land of said Henry H. Rueter, to Perkins street; thence running westerly on said Perkins street $657\frac{25}{100}$ feet to land of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation; thence running northerly, easterly, and northerly on said land of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation, by six lines, $653\frac{75}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph Nickerson; thence running easterly, southerly and easterly on said last-mentioned land, by three lines, $186\frac{13}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 88,950 square feet, more or less; subject to whatever rights the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation acquired in a portion of said parcel of land under its taking under authority of Chapter 182 of the Acts of 1868.

A parcel of land belonging to the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on Pond avenue at a point distant 17 feet southwesterly from the boundary line between Boston and Brookline and on land hereinbefore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running northeasterly and southeasterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston, and on land hereinafter described as taken from the Brookline Land Company and the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation or both, by two lines, about $120\frac{75}{100}$ feet to other land of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation; thence running southwesterly on said other land of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation by two lines, about 114 feet to Chestnut street; thence running northerly and northeasterly on said Chestnut street and Pond avenue about 90 feet to the point of beginning, containing 5,900 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Brookline Land Company or the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation or both, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of land hereinbefore described as taken from the city of Boston and at land hereinbefore described as taken from the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation, and running northeasterly on said land described as taken from the City of Boston about 310 feet to other land of the Brookline Land Company or the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation or both; thence running southwesterly, by three lines, on said last-mentioned land about $346\frac{85}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land 47 feet to the point of beginning, containing 19,250 square feet, more or less: also all the right, title and interest of the Brookline Land Company, if any it has, in or to that part of the parcel of land taken by the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation from said Brookline Land Company under Chapter 182 of the Acts of 1868 other than that above described.

All of said parcels of land being shown on two plans numbered 1 and 2 respectively, entitled "Plan of land in the City of Boston, Massachusetts, taken April 30, 1890, for a park, under Chapter 185 of the Acts of 1875," drawn by Alexis H. French, Civil Engineer, dated April 30, 1890, and on file in the office of said Commissioners.

(Signed) Benj. Dean,
Isaac Fenno,
Thos. L. Livermore.
The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

The Board estimated the expense of taking sundry lands and flats in South Boston being all the lands and flats included within the lines described in the following Act of taking, for a public park, at their valuations as fixed by the Assessors of Boston for taxation in the year 1889:-

(Namely:

Dexter A. Hall.	1800.
Heirs or Devisees of A. F. Bellows.	4700
Anthoney Hankey.	7158 08
D. A. Hall.	845 01
Patrick H. Carroll.	945 66
Boston Yacht Club.	1440 03
Heirs or Devisees of David M. Weston.	17,463 14
Edmund L. Colman.	490 59
Ella M. Mc. Elroy.	1778 42
Wm. S. Dexter & Geo. B. Blagden, Jr.	9134 48
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.	

Wm. F. Tufts.	$ 7228	72
John Favor & Laban Pratt.	5301	69
Elizabeth H. Whitney.	6766	19
Wm. S. Dexter & Geo. R. Blagden Tr.	6668	94
Alpheus M. Stetson.	2550	10
Heirs or Devisees of Jonh. Brown.	1531	87
Rodney Brown.	1531	87
Boston Standard Sugar Refinery.	1932	10
Barnard Capen.	178	50
Heirs or Devisees of Jonh. Brown.	1762	
Edward S. Winchester & Isaac Hayden.	8900	
Edward C. Gifford.	311	60
Anna L. Wilbur.	342	
Isaac Hayden.	131	20
Helen M. Hayden.	988	20
Owner or Owners unknown.		
Helen M. Hayden.	196	25
Augustus C. Richmond & Hallowell Granite Co.	4322	50
William H. Hart.	4700	
Do.	2800	
Choate Burnham.	6300	
Wm. H. Hart.	1000	
Suffolk Brewing Co.	4200	
Wm. H. Hart.	1500	
Wm. S. Dexter & Geo. R. Blagden Tr.	3000	
Wm. H. Hart.	2800	
Mary C. Haskins.	1400	
Lottie E. Brown.	1000	
Wm. H. Hart.	1800	
Heirs or Devisees of Parker P. Kent.	300	
Total estimated expense of lands taken	$127 199	71)

And passed the following Acts of taking:

CITY OF BOSTON.

In Board of Park Commissioners, April 30, 1890.

WHEREAS, the undersigned duly appointed and qualified as the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, by virtue of and according to the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "An act for the laying out of public parks in or near the City of Boston," being Chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1875, deem it desirable to take the following described land and flats for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act. Now, therefore, we, the said Board of Park Commissioners, by the authority conferred upon us by the said Act and by the City Council of said City of Boston which has made the appropriation necessary to cover the estimated expenses of our action in the premises, have taken and hereby do take and locate as and for a public park all the land and flats, situated in that part of the City of Boston called South Boston, lying westerly of the easterly line of Q street, extended into Old Harbor to extreme low water, southerly of the line hereinafter described, and easterly of the westerly line of Atlantic street, extended southerly to the division line between the estate now or formerly of the heirs or devisees of Barker B. Kent and the estate of Choate Burnham, as determined by Darwin E. Ware and Henry L. Whiting, Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts, Dec. 1. 1875, and of said division line extended southerly into Old Harbor to extreme low water or the limit of riparian ownership. The line secondly herein-mentioned being described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the easterly line of Q street with the southerly line of East Sixth street extended, thence running westerly on said southerly line of East Sixth street 340 feet, thence turning at a right angle and running southerly by a straight line 53.60 feet, thence running southwesterly by a curved line tangent to the last-described line, and with a radius of 49.17 feet, 62.01 feet, thence running westerly by a curved line tangent to the last-described line, and with a radius of 3075 feet, 199.19 feet, thence running westerly by a curved line tangent to the last-described line, and with a radius of 6175.87 feet, 266.60 feet, thence running southwesterly by a curved line tangent to the last-described line, and with a radius of 4383.02 feet, 344.71 feet, thence running southwesterly by a curved line tangent to the last-described line, and with a radius of 3712.82 feet, 209.13 feet, thence running southwesterly by a straight line tangent to the last-described line 475.31 feet, thence running southwesterly by a curved line tangent to the last-described line, and with a radius of 4523.41 feet, 428.51 feet, thence running southwesterly by a curved line tangent to the last-described line, and with a radius of 5437.15 feet, 525.57 feet, thence running westerly by a curved line, with a radius of 1044.01 feet, 587.55 feet, thence running westerly by a curved line, with a radius of 2695.95 feet, 382.46 feet, thence running westerly by a curved line tangent to the last-described line, and with a radius of 15842.96 feet, 218.29 feet, thence running westerly by a curved line tangent to the last-described line, and with a radius of 2582.59 feet, 334.51 feet, thence running northwesterly by a curved line, with a radius of 20 feet 26.79 feet to the easterly line of I street, the last-described line being tangent to said easterly line of I street, thence running northerly by the said easterly line of I street 44.08 feet to the southerly line of East Ninth street, thence running westerly by the southerly line of East Ninth street 1769.01 feet to the intersection of the said southerly line of East Ninth street with the westerly line of Atlantic street extended; said line being shown on a plan entitled "Plan of land in the City of Boston, Massachusetts, taken April 30, 1890, for a park, under Chapter 185 of the Acts of 1875," drawn by William Jackson, City Engineer, dated April 30, 1890, a copy whereof is filed in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Suffolk. Together with a parcel of land at each intersection of said line with the public streets, and situated on the northerly side of said line, each parcel being bounded on one side by said line, on one side by the street line, and on the third side by a curved line of 20 feet radius drawn tangent to said lines as shown on said plan; also the fee and soil in all portions of streets embraced within said lines. *The various parcels hereintaken and comprising the entire tract of land and flats within the above described lines are supposed to belong respectively to Dexter A. Hall, Heirs or Devisees of A. F. Bellows. Anthony Hankey, Patrick H. Carroll, Boston Yacht Club, Heirs or Devisees of David M. Weston, Edmund L. Colman, Ella M. McElroy, William S. Dexter and George B. Blagden Trustees, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, William F. Tufts, John Favor and Luban Pratt, Elizabeth H. Whitney, Alpheus M. Nelson, Heirs or Devisees of Jeremiah Brown, Rodney Brown, Boston Standard Sugar Refinery, Parnard Capen, Edward S. Winchester, Isaac Hayden, Edward C. Gifford, Anna L. Wilbur, Helen M. Hayden, Augustus C. Richmond and Hallowell Granite Company, William H. Hart, Choate Burnham, Suffolk Brewing Company, Heirs or Devisees of Parker B. Kent,*

(Signed) Benj. Dean.
Isaac Fenno.
Thos. L. Livermore.

The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston May 5. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present Messrs Dean, Fenno & Livermore, also present Messrs Olmsted, Jackson and Stone.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The Board reorganized with the choice of Benj. Dean, Chairman, Isaac Fenno, Chairman pro-tem, and George F. Clarke Secretary, for the ensuing year.

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to approve bills and drafts.

Voted, that the Chairman pro-tem be authorized to approve drafts and bills in the absence of the Chairman.

Voted, that Mr. Livermore be authorized to approve bills and drafts in the absence of the Chairman and of the Chairman pro-tem.

Mr. Edward I. Browne came before the Board to define his position in regard to the widening of the Longwood Entrance.

Mr. Stillings came before the Board to ask that the Board put Charlesgate East in a condition which will enable him to get to the rear of his houses with materials etc. & it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge report the best way of filling the roadways and pide-walks of Charlesgate East and West and the cost of doing the work.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to close to travel Old Glen road while the connection between Old Glen Road and Glen Lane is being completed.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to complete Glen Road to the West Entrance of the Park.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge report the

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best way of filling at the Marine Park north of the present contract.

Communications were received from the Superintendent of Lamps for permission to set ports for electric lamps on Charlesgate West, corner Beacon street, and Charlesgate East corner Marlboro street.

Voted, that the application of the Superintendent of Lamps for permission to set iron ports for electric street lamps on Charlesgate West at the corner of Beacon Street and on Charlesgate East at the corner of Marlboro Street be granted, the locations of said ports to be approved by the Engineer in charge.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston May, 12 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present messrs Dean and Livermore, also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson, and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. Edward I. Browne came before the Board and on behalf of Wm. G. Binney and the heirs of John F. Brinton modified his former proposition so that, with the land proposed for the street being given, they would accept 90 cents per foot for 16,486 square feet or $14,837.40 said price to include all damages to the remaining land on the south side of the Entrance, which will be restricted in the manner proposed by the Commissioners as to set back etc. & no betterments to be assessed. He also offered to make a conditional offer to take the same price for the other lot of 12,887 square feet provided no more was paid for the Dexter and Lincoln lands. It was subsequently

Voted, that the offer of Mr. Edward F. Browne on behalf of Mrs. G. Pinney and Heirs of John F. Brinton to convey the 59,267 square feet of land for the Longwood Entrance to Back Bay Fens, shown on a plan dated March 14, 1890 and to waive all damages for $14,837.40 upon condition that no betterment shall be assessed upon the rest of their land on that side, and that entrance from said land to the Riverway shall be granted from houses to be set 20 feet back therefrom conditional also upon the other restrictions adopted for the Parkway frontages except those in relation to wooden houses be accepted.

Voted, that work be begun at once to complete said entrance and the Riverway and ride on the south side thereof according to the plan of this Board of December 30, 1887, and that the vote of the Board of April 25, 1890, be rescinded so far as the same is inconsistent herewith.

The following was received.

"Boston, May 15, 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners

"of the City of Boston, Gentlemen. The lease of "the Estate on Jamaica Pond owned by Mr. Frederick "H. Rindge expired on the first instant and Mr. "Rindge has requested me to sell the same first "ascertaining that it was not the intention of "your Board to take the property for Park purposes.

Will you kindly tell me whether any "such action on your part is imminent. I have "no doubt that, if you wished it, Mr. Rindge "would agree to make a perpetual lease of the Estate "to the city, a suggestion which I make to cover "the possible case of a deficiency of appropriation "required for this and other purchases or seizures,

May 12. 1890.

Very respectfully yours Francis J. Parker."

And it was

Voted, that the Secretary notify Mr. Francis J. Parker that the Board will purchase the estate of Mr. Pindge on Perkins and Prince streets for park purposes at its assessed valuation.

Mr. Towne submitted estimates of the cost of extending Charlesgate East and West from Beacon street to Charles River which were placed on file.

Voted, that the City Engineer be requested to prepare plans for the Bridge to carry the Fenway over the new Stony Brook outlet and that he be authorized to employ Walker & Best Architects to prepare a suitable design for said bridge.

Voted, that the Landscape Architect and Engineer in charge estimate the quantity of loam that will be required in the construction of the Parkway along Muddy River in addition to what can be obtained on the ground.

Voted, that the expenses of the Nursery be charged to Construction and that the Secretary notify the Auditor to that effect.

Mr. Howe reported that he had looked into the matter of filling at the Marine Park and was of opinion that it could not be filled as cheaply from the land side and that it should be done by competitive bids as before.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, May 19. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Dean and Livermore, Mr. Fenno being absent from the city, Also present mess. Olmsted and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Messrs Andrews, Brown & Welch Trustees of the Andrews Estate came before the Board to consult in regard to the proposed parkway from Boston street to Marine Park which is planned to cross their estate.

Mr. J. P. Kendall renewed his offer to settle on the north side of the Longwood Entrance at $1.- per foot for the Browne & Lincoln lands and $1.50 for the Dexter and Kendall lot the land for the streets to be given as before. He submitted a letter from Mr. Lincoln agreeing to the proposition on his part, and Mr. Brown being present gave his consent to the proposed settlement.

Mr. Lincoln's letter is as follows:

"Boston, May 19. 1890.

"Mr. J. P. Kendall. Dear Sir. You are author-
"ized to settle price at one dollar per foot for
"land on Longwood Entrance by the Park Commis-
"sioners, the same being for Park purposes for
"my Land. The remainder wanted by them
"for street purposes is to be given by me for nothing
"as per. plan, Yours very truly

"Wm. H. Lincoln."

The following communications were received and placed on file:

"Boston, May 14. 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners, of the City of Boston,
"Gentlemen, Yours of the 13th is received and
"your proposition will at once be reported to Mr.
"Ridge but will probably be declined. The estate
"contains 160.000 square feet, very nearly, of land and

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" in 1874 it was taxed for 28,500 dollars 1875. 26.400
" 1876 same: and it is only since the intention to
" take the land for your department was formed
" that the valuation has been made so low. From the
" best information that I have obtained the value
" is as much as 20¢ per foot. Very truly yours
F. J. Parker."

"South Boston May 12 1890
" Hon. Benjamin Dean Chairman of the Board
" of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston
" Sir and Gentlemen - The Washington Village
" Improvement Association respectfully request
" your Honorable Board that the Parkway from
" City Point to Franklin Park be extended from
" the foot of Mercer St. across the marsh to Washburn
" St. and thence to Boston Street. Believing that
" such a way would open a large area of land
" between Dorchester Avenue and the Old Colony Rail
" Road and the South Bay, now under water, which
" the South Bay Land Company propose to fill in at
" once, that it would be easy of approach from all
" sides by direct avenue and that the rapidly in-
" creasing value of land herein specified would more
" than pay double the amount of cost to build the
" Parkway. If your Honorable Board would
" like further information regarding the location
" of the Parkway the Association would be happy
" to furnish any information. Respectfully submitted
" Committee on Parkway of the Washington Village
" Improvement Association. William H. Allen
" Henry T. Powers. Clarence E. Snow. Geo. I. Wade
" James A. Kemp. Approved Waller Pitchett, Secy."

A petition was received from Rufus A. Bennett for permission to sell refreshments in Franklin Park and the Secretary was directed to notify him that the Board declines to change its rules which forbid the sale of refreshments in the public parks except in the buildings provided for that purpose.

A communication was received from James H. Bell asking permission as a member of the Inter-scholastic Athletic Association, to use a revolver with blank cartridges in track Athletics at Charlesbank and the Secretary was directed to notify him that the City Ordinances and the comfort of other people make it impracticable to grant the request.

A request was received from W. W. Hay Vice President of Nobles School Athletic Association asking permission to throw the heavy hammer at Charlesbank and the Secretary was directed to notify him that the safety of the by-standers has made it necessary for the Board to forbid the throwing of the hammer by any one.

Voted, to forthwith complete the walls on each side of the entrance of the new road from Arnold Arboretum to Walter street, to remove the stone crusher from its present site in the Arnold Arboretum, the dam which was built to supply water for it, and the road which leads to it, and to restore the surface of the ground to its original condition as near as may be where said crusher, road and dam now are.

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to make some arrangement to secure expert evidence to ascertain the value of the land along the South Boston shore.

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay to Hannah Cannon, Widow of Thomas Cannon, deceased, the amount due him on the pay rolls of this Department.

Voted, that the House and Barn on the Sargent Estate, Franklin Park be sold at public auction.

Voted, that the bills for surveying the lands taken for the Muddy River Improvement and the Parkway to Marine Park be hereafter charged to the appropriation for "Public Park Lands."

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, May 23. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M.

Present messrs Dean, Fenno, & Livermore also present messrs Jackson and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

The Secretary stated that the Mayor had suggested that the City might settle damages to advantage with some of the Tremont and Downer street property owners by giving them land at the upper part of the Heath Street lot owned by the city in exchange for land taken.

Voted, that at the suggestion of His Honor the Mayor the Board of Street Commissioners be invited to meet this Board to see if arrangements can be made to exchange the City's land on Heath Street for land and damages on Tremont and Downer streets.

The Mayor also asked if the Park Commissioners would confer with the Water Board to see if arrangements can be made jointly to purchase the "ampicoa Pond Aqueduct Corporations property.

A communication was received from Alderman Cushing asking to be informed in regard to the case of Andrew Quigley whose property on Downer St. has been taken by the Board and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board will settle the question of damages with Mr. Quigley at any time.

The following communication was received:

" Boston, May 20. 1890.

" Geo. F. Clarke Esq.

" Dear Sir: I understand from the
" result of to days meeting on the land with Mr. Howe
" that I can proceed to remove some of the City's
" intervening soil to open our own. Will you verify-
" ing the same, see that instructions are given the police.
" Also I have a lot of building stone and paving
" stone in one pile perhaps $10. worth which I wish

"to remove as I have put considerable labor into
"them. Yr. truly. Wm. H. Whitney."
after an explanation from Mr. Howe in regard to his understanding with Mr. Whitney, the Secretary was directed to notify Sergeant Murphy to permit the removal of the material to proceed.

The following was received.

"Boston May 19. 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners: Gentlemen.

"My tenant on the Curtis farm on Perkins Street
"informs me that you have taken possession of
"part of the premises and that in consequence of
"a sign that is there the place was overrun with
"people all of the day yesterday. We had plough-
"ed and planted all of the strip and considerable
"damage was done. Kindly inform me as soon
"as possible whether or not you have taken possession
"of any part of the premises and how much.

Yours truly, Geo. Curtis per J."

The Secretary also stated that Mr. Farrington had requested that the sign be removed until he can crop his fodder corn already planted.

The Secretary was thereupon instructed to notify Sergeant Murphy to remove the sign.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Green who has been pasturing cows on the Nickerson land taken for the parkway wanted to know if he could hire the pasture for this season; or, if not, if he could drive his cows to water at the brook. He would probably pay $50. for pasturage. It was thereupon

Voted, that the offer of Mr. Green to hire land for pasturage be declined, but that the Board had no objection to his driving his cows to water if properly controlled to the satisfaction of the Sergeant of Police.

Voted. that this Board turn over to the Water Board an engine belonging to this Department, and now in use by the Water Board, in consideration

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of its purchasing another engine for this Department and paying bills amounting altogether to the sum of $750.

On the recommendation of the Engineer in charge it was

Voted, that the pay of George Souther foreman of dredging be increased to $6. per day.

Voted, that the wool from the sheep at Franklin Park be consigned to Nichols Dupee & Co. for sale.

Voted, that the advertising for the sale of the Sargent house, so called, at Franklin Park be suspended in order to give Mr. M. D. Ross an opportunity to raise $3000. to put the house and barn in good condition for the use of the Boston Society of Natural History.

Voted, that the Board of Police be requested to station one or more officers on Blue Hill Avenue adjoining Franklin Park during the day and night on Sundays and holidays

The matter of the offer by the owners made at the last meeting, to sell lands adjoining the Longwood Entrance at $1. and $1.50 per foot, the land for the streets being given, was considered.

The Secretary stated that if the offer was accepted and the price of $1.50 per foot for the remaining lands was paid the total outlay would be $72.889.65

It was thereupon

Voted that the offer presented by Mr. Kendall at the last meeting be accepted.

Voted, to complete the Longwood Entrance to Back Bay Fens on the north side of the Waterway according to plan and that work be begun at once on same and continued until the total expenditures in construction of said entrance since February 17. 1890. equal the sum of $92,000.

Voted, that there be purchased of William A. Finney for the purposes of a public park a certain parcel of land adjoining the Longwood Entrance

of the Back Bay Park, so called, containing 38.746 square feet more or less and being shown on a plan made by William Jackson, City Engineer dated March 14. 1890. and filed in the office of this Board: and that there be paid to the said William H. Binney the sum of Thirteen thousand nine hundred and sixty-six $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars upon his giving a deed for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, containing the limitation for said purposes, and all the covenants agreements restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed, excepting the restrictions relating to wooden houses and that in clause three of restrictions the reserved space of twenty-five feet shall read twenty feet. and that the Chairman sign a request

Voted, that there be purchased of William G. Binney Edward J. Browne Trustee Fence Brinton, Binney Brinton and Sharswood Brinton for the purposes of a public park, two certain parcels of land adjoining the Longwood Entrance of the Back Bay Park so called containing respectively 59.267 square feet and 12.887 square feet, more or less, and being shown on a plan made by William Jackson, City Engineer, dated March 14. 1890. and filed in the office of this Board: and that there be paid to the said William G. Binney and others the sum of Twenty-seven thousand seven hundred and twenty-four $\frac{4}{100}$ dollars upon their giving a deed for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor containing the limitation for said purposes, and all the covenants agreements restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed excepting the restrictions relating to wooden houses and that in clause three of restrictions the reserved space of twenty-five feet shall read twenty-feet. and

~~that the Chairman sign a request on the City~~ Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Land.

that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Land.

May 23. 1890. Voted, that there be purchased of William H. Lincoln and John W. Candler, for the purposes of a public park, a certain parcel of land adjacent to the Longwood Entrance of the Back Bay Park, so called, containing 22.928 square feet, more or less, and being shown on a plan made by William Jackson, City Engineer, dated March 14. 1890, and filed in the office of this Board; and that there be paid to the said William H. Lincoln and John W. Candler, the sum of Five thousand seven hundred and three dollars upon their giving a deed for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, containing the limitation for said purposes, and all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed, excepting the restrictions relating to Wooden houses, and that in clause three of restrictions the reserved space of twenty-five feet shall read twenty feet, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Land.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, May 26. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M. Present messrs Dean, Perry, & Livermore, also present Mess, Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Messrs Dore and Burrill of the Board of Street Commissioners came at the suggestion of the Mayor and by invitation of the Board to consider the feasibility of giving Heath Street land, belonging to the city in

settlement of damages for the Tremont and Downer street lands taken for park purposes.

The Street Commissioners thought it would be bad policy for the City to allow the placing of the Downer street buildings upon the City's land, although, if the City Council saw fit to make such use of the land, they would make no objection.

Mr. Choate Burnham came before the Board in regard to the proposed laying out of the Parkway to Marine Park on a part of his property

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to advertise for proposals for furnishing 200.000 or 400.000 cubic yards of filling at the Marine Park in the terms of the advertisement of August 6. 1889, and substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions of the form of contract and specifications referred to in said advertisement.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to lay 700 feet of water pipe at Franklin Park at the expense of this Department, and if said Board desires to lay additional pipe in said park that it be done at once.

Voted, that the Ordinances or rules, adopted Aug. 20. 1886, for the use and government of the Public Parks, are hereby amended so far as they relate to The Parkway Arnold Arboretum and Franklin Park by the addition of the following rule: To ride a cycle at a rate faster than eight miles an hour.

The following Park laborers recommended by Sergeant Dennis for Sub-Keepers came before the Board for examination.

Robert Coulsey.	3379	Washington St.	J.P.
Patrick Gantley.	96	Silver Street	S.B.
Charles Lennon.		Paine "	W. Roxbury.
Maurice Mc. Cormack	102	Pollock "	Roxbury
Wm. A. Radmore	1	Peabody Place	J.P.
Michael J. Carney.	20	Colony St.	S.B.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, June 2. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Lenno, Livermore and Walker, also present mess. Jackson, Stone, and J.C. Olmsted, Hon. Benj. Dean was also present before the opening of the meeting to greet Commissioner Walker, and say farewell to the other members of the Board.

The following certificate of the qualification of Francis A. Walker as a Park Commissioner was received and placed on file:

"Office of City Clerk, City of Boston,
"City Hall, June 2. 1890.

"George F. Clarke, Esq. Dear Sir:- I hereby certify "that Francis A. Walker, Esq. has this day appeared "before me, and accepted the office of Park Commissioner, "for the term of three years ending May 1. 1893.

Edwin A. Curtis, City Clerk."

Thereupon Thomas L. Livermore was chosen Chairman and it was

Voted, that Mr. Walker be authorized to approve bills and drafts in the absence of the Chairman and Chairman pro tem.

Mr. C.F. Dunckley came before the Board for Mr. Thomas Salmon to negotiate for a settlement of his damages. Mrs. Eliza Mc. Keon also came to ask for a settlement of her damages.

Mr. Wm. A. Whitney submitted the following proposition:

"Boston June 2. 1890.

"To the Honorable The Board of Park Commissioners "of the City of Boston. Sirs: (Referring to the action "of the Board under the direction of Mr. Olmstead and "Mr. Stone whereby I have been granted certain privileges "enabling me to resume the grading of land of May "and Fleidman adjoining the parcel recently taken, "I desire to state that in removing the slight barrier "between my gate pond pit and our remaining land "I want to bury some of your earth on your land below

" grade, and to take the remainder (perhaps 300 cubic yards)
" away. I will deposit on the City land near by an
" amount of our earth equal to double the quantity which
" I take away from your land, I propose that we jointly
" count the loads thus taken by me and deposited by me.
" The accompanying plan shows the locality and
" size of the barrier to be removed by me.

Yours respectfully,
Wm. H. Whitney. Agent."

and it was

Voted, that Mr. Whitney's proposal be accepted the count of loads or measurement of material to be made satisfactory to the Engineer in charge.

The following were received read & placed on file.

" City of Boston, Executive Department.
" The Honorable the Board of Park Commissioners.
" Gentlemen: I transmit herewith for the infor-
" mation of your Honorable Board, and for the
" files of your Department, a certified copy of the
" joint resolution of Congress approved May 1. 1890, au-
" thorizing the use and improvement of Castle Island,
" in Boston Harbor. Respectfully Thomas N. Hart
" May 31, 1890. Mayor.

" United States of America.
" Department of States.

" To all to whom these presents shall Come, Greeting:
" I Certify That hereto annexed is a true copy of an
" Act of Congress, approved May 1st 1890, the original
" of which is on file in this Department, entitled:
" Joint resolution authorizing the use and improve-
" ment of Castle Island, in Boston Harbor.
" In testimony whereof, I, James G. Blaine, Secretary
" of State of the United States, have hereunto subscribed
" my name and caused the seal of the Department of
" State to be affixed. Done at the City of Washington,
" this Twenty ninth day of May, A. D. 1890, and of the Indepen-
" dence of the United States of America the one hundred

June 2. 1890.

" and fourteenth. James G. Blaine."

" (Public Resolution - No. 16)

" Joint resolution authorizing the use and improvement
" of Castle Island, in Boston Harbor.

" Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
" of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
" That permission be, and is hereby, granted to the City of
" Boston, in the State of Massachusetts, through its park
" commissioners, to improve and beautify Castle Island,
" situated in said City, and belonging to the United States,
" in connection with a public park to be laid out on land
" adjoining and connecting with said island, with the right
" to said City of Boston to make such excavations and
" fillings and erect and maintain such structures as the
" Secretary of War may, from time to time, approve:
" Provided, That this resolution shall not be construed
" to pass any title in said island, but that the ownership
" and control of the said grounds shall remain entirely in
" the United States, and shall be subject to such changes
" and uses for military or other purposes as the Secretary
" of War may direct, and that the bridge leading from
" the harbor line to the island shall not be constructed
" until the plans for the same have been approved by
" the Secretary of War.

" Approved, May 1, 1890.

" Circular 39. City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.
" To the Heads of Departments, Gentlemen:- Attention
" is called to the following Order of the City Council approved
" to-day:- That His Honor the Mayor be requested
" to ask the Heads of the several City Departments, to
" allow all employees who are members of the Grand
" Army of the Republic, as part compensation for the
" services performed by them, 24 hours leave of absence,
" without loss of pay, on Decoration Day, Friday, May
" 30th, 1890. Also, to the following Order approved on May 24:
" That His Honor the Mayor be requested to ask the
" Heads of the several City Departments to allow all
" employees whose services can be dispensed with, as

" part compensation for the duties performed by them
" a holiday without loss of pay on the 17th inst. June next.
" May 28. 1890. Respectfully, Thomas N. Hart, Mayor."
Action in relation to granting a holiday on June 17, 1890
deferred until the next meeting.
The following petition was received, read and Monday
next at 2 P.M. set for hearing the petitioners.
" We, the undersigned, tax payers and citizens of Boston,
" and owners of land on Commonwealth Avenue west of
" West Chester Park, would most respectfully represent to
" your Honorable Board, that the present laying out of
" said Avenue is prejudicial to our interests and the public
" at large, in that it is impossible to dispose of the land
" to those who would insure the building of houses befitting
" the superior location and the entrance to the Park.
" We would, therefore, earnestly pray that Commonwealth
" Avenue, between West Chester Park and the junction of
" the three roads, be layed out so as to correspond as
" nearly as possible to the present topographical laying
" out of said Avenue east of West Chester Park, and
" to this end we pray for a hearing in the matter as
" soon as may be. Abbott Lawrence. S. E. Peabody.
" Henry Lee. Alex. F. Wadsworth. N. Thayer.
" E. V. R. Thayer. John C. Robes. T. Jefferson Coolidge
" Walter Hammond. Asa P. Potter. Francis Peabody Jr.
" J. Malcolm Forbes. Francis J. Amory. Richard Olney."
The following communication was received & read.
" City of Boston, City Messenger Department,
" To the Board of Park May 31. 1890.
" Comrs. for the City of Boston:
" Gentlemen:- The City Council has requested
" me to arrange to give two concerts on Franklin
" Park, two concerts on the Charles River Embank-
" ment and one concert on the Back Bay Park
" during the present summer; will you kindly grant
" me permission to give the same at the above named
" places and also one concert on the Marine Park
" on July 4th, and oblige Yr. Respty. A. H. Peters, City Messenger."

June 2. 1890. Voted, that authority be granted to the City Messenger to give two concerts each on Franklin Park and Charlesbank and one concert on the Marine Park during the present summer, the bandstands to be located as directed by the Engineer in charge.

A communication from James A. Phelps in regard to the danger from indiscriminate ball playing on Franklin Park was received and read, and it was

Voted, that the Sergeant of Police at Franklin Park be directed to stop indiscriminate ball playing on the temporary play ground near Blue Hill Avenue.

A communication from Mrs. James T. Fields in regard to play grounds for Charlestown was received, read and placed on file.

Voted, that the Secretary cause the grass at Franklin Park to be sold at Public Auction.

Mr. Robert Grant, Chairman of the Water Board, came to confer at the suggestion of the Mayor to see if arrangements can be made between the two Boards to acquire the property of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation and the following communication was adopted to be sent to His Honor the Mayor.

Hon. Thomas N. Hart. Mayor.

Sir: In taking land for the Muddy River Improvement we have found ourselves confronted near Jamaica Pond with the land of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation around and including Ward's Pond which is very desirable should be included in the Park way but which we suppose we are not at liberty to take under the Statutes.

We learn from the Water Board that in case that Board should purchase the property of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation under Chap. 199 of the Acts of 1886, they would be disposed to concede to us, the land and pond for Park purposes.

For this reason we respectfully urge that the Water Board be enabled to acquire this property

to the end, among others that we may make this purchase. For the Board Thos. L. Livermore, Chr.

Voted, that the City Solicitor be requested to begin legal proceedings against all tenants on the City's property taken for park purposes who refuse to pay rent.

Voted, that the Secretary cause lines and grades to be given upon request of any owner abutting upon the parkway.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, June 9, 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 1.30 P.M.

Present messrs Livermore, Fenno, and Walker, also present Mess. F. L. & J. C. Olmsted City Engineer Jackson and E. W. Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Messrs Hayes and Norris of a Sub-Committee of the City Council Committee on Public Parks came to confer with the Board in relation to an order referred to that Committee which reads as follows:

"Ordered that His Honor, the mayor, be requested to ask the Board of Park Commissioners to allow carfare, as part compensation for their services, to all laborers on Franklin and the Back Bay parks who are residents of South and East Boston, Charlestown and the City proper."

At the request of the sub Committee the Board agreed to ascertain how many employes of the Department would be affected by the proposed order and the Engineer in Charge was directed to report accordingly.

The hearing upon the petition for a change of the plan of laying out Commonwealth Avenue presented at the last meeting was begun and Mr. Alex. S. Porter, representing the petitioners, presented a plan for laying out the avenue to conform as nearly as possible with the plan of the Avenue East

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of West Chester Park.

Messrs Abbott Lawrence, Henry Lee, J. Jefferson Coolidge, Francis Peabody Jr. C. U. Cotting, J. M. Meredith and others addressed the Board in support of the proposed change of plan. The hearing was closed and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer be requested to estimate the cost of changing Commonwealth Avenue according to the plan presented by Mr. Alex. S. Porter in connection with the petition submitted at the last meeting of the Board.

Mr. Olmsted presented a plan for widening the side roads on the South side of Commonwealth Avenue to 30 feet, and it was

Voted, that this Board recommends to the Street Department that the side roads on the south side of Commonwealth Avenue be widened to 30 feet between West Chester Park and Brookline Avenue as shown on a plan drawn by F. L. & J. C. Olmsted dated May 14. 1890.

A communication to Mr. Porter was also made, see letter book 3. page 920.

The Secretary presented the Bond of Josiah P. Kendall and James E. Cooper conditioned to pay the damages that may result from the use of the park roads leading to the exhibition grounds to be occupied by Forepaugh's circus, and also the extra expence incurred by the Department for police service. It was thereupon

Voted, that a license be granted to James E. Cooper proprietor of Forepaugh's Circus in the following terms and that his bond of indemnity presented this day be accepted. Mr. James E. Cooper is given leave to enter and depart with his employés, animals and conveyances from the lot between the Boston and Albany Rail Road, West Chester Park, Boylston street and the Back Bay Fens, by Boylston street extension and the East road in the park; at any time and at all times from June 9th. to June 28th. inclusive, he

providing a sufficient police force to preserve the peace and prevent trespassing on the planted ground.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to apply to the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners for authority to fill on the southerly and easterly side of the filling now being done under the contract with J. E. White to the new Harbor line approved by the United States Board of Engineers; and to prepare the necessary plans and papers to modify the contract with J. E. White to include the filling of the area on the southerly side of that now under contract to conform to the shore lines of mess. Olmsted's plan of the Marine park.

Voted, that all employés of the Department, whose services can be dispensed with, be allowed a holiday without loss of pay, on June 17th. next, as part compensation for the duties performed by them.

Voted, that offers be made to owners of Estates taken for park purposes on Tremont and Dorchester streets as follows:

Eliza Mc. Keon . .	$9.000
Andrew F. Quigley . .	7.000
Thomas Salmon . .	3.950
Mary Mc. Gettrick . .	2.700
Heirs of Thomas Burk . .	3.100
Margaret Roach . .	1.700

The following were received.

" City of Boston, Executive Department

" The Honorable the Board of Park Commissioners.

" Gentlemen:— Your communication of June 2. " as to certain land of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct " Corporation being needed for Park purposes, has my " concurrence. In that sense I have conferred with " the Boston Water Board, and shall apply to the City " Council for the requisite authority to act as you suggest.

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" Respectfully, Thomas N. Hart, Mayor.
" June 7. 1890.

Boston June 3d. 1890.

" To the Park Commissioners,
" of the City of Boston. Gentlemen, Mr. Frederick
" H. Rindge in reply to yours of May 13. 1890, instructs
" me to say that he will sell the estate at Jamaica Plain
" for 28000 dollars, which is less than its valuation by
" the assessors in 1874. Very truly yours F. J. Parker."
The Secretary was directed to reply to Mr. Parker that the Board would not feel justified in offering a larger sum for Mr. Rindge's property than the present valuation by the Assessors.

A communication was made to the Mayor in regard to the 2 street widening. see letter book 3. p. 924.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y

Boston, June 26. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M. Present Messrs Livermore, Fenno and Walker, also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. D. A. Hall called to make a proposition that he be allowed to collect the rents on his estate at City Point taken for park purposes said rents to offset the interest on the damages allowed when a settlement is made.

Mr. Lincoln came in the interest of Francis Malley to ask for a settlement of his damages for the house and lot taken on Dorchester Street and an offer of $4500. was made by the Board.

Mr. Conrad Decher also asked for a settlement of his damages and accepted an offer of $4.350.

The following vote was thereupon passed:

Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890 a public Park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties among of a certain parcel of land containing 3000 square feet belonged to Conrad Decher, as appears by said act, it is therefore hereby

Voted, that there be awarded and paid to Conrad Decher the sum of Four thousand three hundred and fifty dollars upon his giving a deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Muddy River Improvement.

Mrs. Mc. Keon and Andrew F. Quigley came before the Board in relation to the offers of settlement made to them at the last meeting of the Board and which they did not consider satisfactory.

Mr. James I. Brooks and his Counsel Mr. Munroe were given a hearing in the matter of Mr. Brooks claims, A stenographic report of the hearing was taken for the City Solicitor.

Mr. Choate Burnham came before the Board to consult in regard to his property

The following communication was received and the Secretary stated that Alderman Gove and the Council Committee had called to ask for the use of the drive around the Playstead for the Bicycle races on July 4th from 10 to 12 A. M.

" City Messenger Department June 20, 1890
" To the Board of Park Commissioners
" for the City of Boston: Gentlemen:- On case
" the Sub-Agents for the Fourth of July Celebration

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" are granted the use of Franklin Park for Bicycle " Races, to be held there on the 4th. of July next, will " you kindly allow me permission to place two small " tents on said park, rope off three enclosures for the " Band and Judges and also rope off the three entrances " to the park on July 4th. during the hours set apart " for the Bicycle Races, to prevent all vehicles from " driving into the park: Mr. Howe understands all " about it. Yours respectfully, A. H. Peleg City Mess'r."

It was

Voted, that the subsigns for the Fourth of July celebration be given permission to hold the Bicycle Races at Franklin Park on that day and that the City Messenger be authorized to make the necessary arrangements under the direction of the Engineer in Charge

On the request of the City Messenger it was

Voted, that the City Messenger be authorized to place a music stand on Charlesbank and give a concert on the afternoon of July 4th 1890.

The following communication being received:

" Brookline, Mass, 19th June, 1890.

" The Honorable T. K. Livermore, Chairman
" Board of Park Commissioners: Boston.

" Dear Sir:- Public convenience requires a " walk about forty yards in length and five feet " wide, near to and parallel with the base of the " north line of the Overlook, Franklin Park. As this " would be an addition to the plan of the park, as " adopted by the Board, we advise that its construction " should be authorized. We recommend that the " purchase of 200 seats of the same pattern with those " in use at Charlesbank be authorized; these seats " to be used, a part at Franklin Park, and a part at " the Back Bay Fens. We recommend the purchase " of two pairs of White-headed Brant, at a cost not " exceeding thirty dollars, as suggested in the accompa- " nying letter from Dr. W. A. Conklin, these to be

" added to the water-front of the Fens.
" Yours Respectfully F. L. & J. C. Olmsted
"
Landscape Architects Advisory.

it was

Voted, that the Engineer in charge be directed to lay out a walk about 40 yards in length and five feet wide near to and parallel with the base of the north line of the overlook Franklin Park.

Voted, that the purchase of 200 seats of the same pattern as those in use at Charlesbank be authorized for use at Franklin Park and Back Bay Fens.

Voted, that Mr. Olmsted be authorized to purchase two pairs of White headed Brant, at a cost not exceeding thirty dollars for the Back Bay Fens.

The City Engineer reported the cost of rebuilding Commonwealth Avenue in the following communication.

" Boston, June 26. 1890.

" Col. Thomas L. Livermore,
" Chr. Bd. of Park Commissioners. Sir: The
" estimated cost of rebuilding Commonwealth Avenue
" in accordance with the plan submitted by
" Mr. Alex. S. Porter is $ 60.965.90
" The estimated cost of completing
" the same in accordance with
" the present plan is 29.207.86
" Estimated excess of cost of Mr. Porters plan, $ 31.758.04
" Yours respectfully, Wm. Jackson, City Engineer."

The Engineer in charge reported the number of men that would be affected by the proposed order submitted to the Board at its last meeting by the subcommittee of the Committee on public parks as follows:

" Boston, June 26. 1890.

" Col. Thomas L. Livermore
" Chairman Board of Park Commissioners.
" Dear Sir: The number of men employed at Franklin
" Park and Back Bay who are residents of South and

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" East Boston, Charlestown and the City proper is as
" follows.

	Franklin Park.	Back Bay.
" South Boston.	67	18
" East Boston.	3	3
" Charlestown.	4	2
" City Proper.	35	10
	109	33

Total . . . 142

" Respectfully submitted, E. W. Howe, Asst. Eng. in Charge".

A communication was made to the City Sub committee on Public Parks. see letter book 3. p. 930.

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be authorized and directed to prepare working plans for laying out the Parkway along Muddy River and that the City Engineer be authorized to employ Mr. A. K. French from time to time to assist in making detailed plans and estimates of quantities of materials required in the work of carrying out said plans.

The Chairman presented the following.

" South Boston, June 6th 1890.

" To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

" Gentlemen: I have considered as carefully as
" I could the matter of remuneration for my services
" as an expert appraiser of the property taken by you
" for Park purposes on the southerly shore of South Boston
" from the present Marine Park to Burnham's Wharf,
" including also, such other property adjacent thereto
" as may be necessary in considering the assessment of
" betterments, and have concluded that perhaps one
" thousand ($1000.) dollars would be a fair compensation.

" There is much careful labor involved and many
" small estates and I believe I have not overestimated
" the value of my services. Very respy. yours Henry J. Boven

" Personal." " South Boston, June 6th 1890.

" Thomas J. Livermore esq 110 Wales St. Room 86. Boston, Mass.

" Dear Sir: " I enclose letter to Park Commissioners as
" you requested. The proper amount for such an appraisal

" is difficult to arrive at before the work is done but
" I have consulted other gentlemen who have done such
" work in other sections of the City and they have thought
" with me that the sum named is about right.
" As I have said before I should be glad to leave the
" whole matter with you if it were possible and I shall
" be glad now for you to express your opinion if you
" think I have placed the figures too high.
" Yours respy, Henry J. Bowen."

and recommended that an arrangement between the Board and Mr. Bowen be concluded on the terms stated by him with the understanding also that he may be called upon to assist the law department, in procuring expert evidence of the value of the property appraised by him for which services no additional charge is to be made, and it was Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to make such an agreement as he recommends.

The Chairman also submitted the following communication from the director of the Arnold Arboretum.

" Arnold Arboretum, Harvard University,
" Dictated." " Brookline, Mass, June 19. 1890.

" My dear Sir:-

" I hope you will be able to reach
" some decision at the next meeting of the Park
" Board with regard to the matter of the proposed
" change of boundary of the City Reservation within
" the limits of the Arboretum. A line was agreed
" upon by Mr. Olmsted and myself more than
" two years ago and I think a survey was made.
" The object of the change was to bring under the
" control of the College certain trees which we thought
" could be better cared for in the long run by us
" than by the City. They are now in a rather
" poor condition, and the young growth especially
" is so crowded that there is no chance for the
" individual trees to develop. My reason for
" desiring your board to act upon this matter now is,

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"that I am going to Europe on the 2d of July and "should like before I go, if the change of boundary is "to be made at all, to arrange for having some work "done on the trees this summer during my absence. "As we can only do work of this sort in the summer "and early autumn, it would have to be postponed "for another year unless the matter can be settled "before I go. I believe Mr. Olmsted fully comprehends "the situation. I hope we shall meet again before "I depart from these shores. Faithfully yours, "Col. Thos. L. Livermore. C. S. Sargent"

Voted, that there be put in charge of the Director of the Arnold Arboretum so much of the land of the City reservation on Bussey Hill as lies outside of the lines shown on a plan "showing proposed location of reservation etc." dated June 20, 1890, on file at the office of this Board.

Voted, that the pay of R. Victor Knupfer gardener at Charlesbank be increased to $2.50 per day from June 20th.

Applications having been received from messrs Geo. F. Forbes and E. R. Humphreys it was

Voted, that Mr. George F. Forbes, master of the Roxbury Latin School, be permitted to visit any part of Franklin Park and of the Arboretum, with or without pupils in the prosecution of botanical study, and to take specimens for said purpose during the season of 1890.

Voted, that Mr. E. R. Humphreys be permitted to visit any part of the Back Bay Fens in the prosecution of botanical study and to take specimens for said purpose during the season of 1890.

Mr. Walker presented a communication which he had received from Mrs. Roger Wolcott requesting for the Peoples Entertainment Society that grounds at Franklin Park be provided for a girls outing Club for a weekly game of tennis and Croquet etc.

The Secretary was requested to reply for Mr. Walker and to arrange for such facilities as may be required (See letter book 3. p. 928)

The following were read

"Circular No. "City of Boston, Office of The Mayor

"To the Heads of Departments, Gentlemen:—

"You are hereby requested and authorized "to carry out the following Order of the City Council, "approved to-day:—

"That His Honor the Mayor be requested to "direct the Heads of Departments to allow, in part "compensation for their services, all employés of the City "whose services can be dispensed with, a half-holiday, "without loss of pay, on Saturdays, beginning with Saturday, "June 14, and ending with Saturday, September 13, 1890.

"June 13. 1890. Respectfully, Thomas N. Hart, Mayor."

"City of Boston. In Common Council June 5. '90.

"Ordered: That the Park Commissioners be requested "to permit the members of the Tremont Athletic "Club of Boston to use the Charlesbank Gymnasium "and running track exclusively, for free public athletic competitions on the morning of June 17th next. "Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen, "June 9. Concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 11. '90. "A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

Mr. Fenno stated that in the absence of the other Commissioners after consulting the Mayor in both cases, he had directed that the requests of the City Council be granted and it was

Voted, that Mr. Fenno's action be approved.

The following was received,

"Boston, June 23. 1890.

"Col. Thos. L. Livermore,

"Chairman of Board of Park Commissioners,

"Dear Sir: I will make such additional filling "as may be required to comply with plan showing "the alteration to be made in the form of the work at "the southerly and easterly ends of work now being

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"done by me under my contract of Oct. 5. '89 for the "same price as paid under said contract. Namely sixty- "one cents ($0.61) per cubic yard. The work to be done "in accordance with provision of said contract of Oct. "5. 1889. Very respectfully, Jos. E. White. P. & it was Voted, that the proposition of Joseph E. White, be accepted.

The following was received and placed on file.

"Board of Health, June 12, 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

"Gentlemen:- I am requested by the Board "of Health to notify your honorable board that the "iron urinal placed on 2 street is now ready for use.

"Very Respectfully, C. E. Davis Jr. Clerk."

Mr. French, Engineer for the Brookline Park Commissioners presented the following communications which he explained and presented a plan showing the locations of the proposed storage piles:

"To the Park Commissioners of Boston: Gentlemen:-

"In connection with the Muddy River Improvement "we desire the permission of your Board to deposit "and store top soil on the Boston side of the new bound- "ary line at the points marked A. B. C. & D. on the "accompanying plan, for such length of time as will "not interfere with the construction of Boston's part of "the work. Respectfully Alexis H. French Engineer "for the Brookline Park Commissioners.

"Brookline June 25. 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners of Boston:

"Gentlemen: In connection with the exca- "vation of Leverett Pond on the Muddy River "Improvement we respectfully ask permission of "your Board to carry said excavation about 50 feet "in width on the Boston side of the new boundary "line. Respectfully, Alexis H. French, Engineer for the Brookline Park Commissioners."

"Brookline June 25. 1890."

The Board took the propositions under advisement.

The following was received.

"Boston, 25 June 1890.
"To the Honorable the Park Commissioners of Boston
"Gentlemen: George Grant owner and keeper of
"the Grant House at South Boston Point failed to
"secure a license the current year on account of
"the objection of your Honorable Board, as its refusal
"now will probably prevent him from securing a
"license later elsewhere_ the list being full, he will
"in the event of the withdrawal of objections on
"your part agree to abstain entirely from the sale
"of liquors while he shall remain in occupancy of
"his present location. As Mr. Grant has
"for more than twenty years been a client of Judge
"Blodgett and mine, I have no hesitation from
"personal acquaintance in assuring you that
"Mr. Grants agreement will be observed to
"the letter Faithfully H. J. Boardman."
and the Secretary was directed to make inquiries as to the facts in the case.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston July 5, 1890.
A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 10 A. M.
Present messrs Livermore Fenno and Walker, also present messrs Olmsted and Howe.
The record of the last meeting was read & approved.
Voted, that the Secretary be directed to inquire of the owners of this building why the elevator is not running to day to the great inconvenience of this Department.
Consultations were held with mess. Duncklee, Reynolds, Garrity, Bowen, and Corbett in relation to damages for lands taken and offers were made of four thousand dollars for the property of Thomas Salmon with an

July 5. 1890. agreement that his rent shall be $5. per month while he is in actual occupancy of the tenement now held by him and Thirty five hundred dollars for Mr. Garity's property or three thousand dollars and the house if he desires to remove it.

A communication was received from Mr. B. Read Wales asking for the use of a part of Franklin Park for the accommodation of three who desire to occupy tents during the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held in Boston in August and it was,

Voted, that the Board requests the Chairman to reply declining to allow the use of the Park and to suggest that we are advised that better accommodations can probably be had at the Cypress street play ground on application to the town of Brookline.

The following was received.

"City Missionary Rooms, Boston, July 1. 1890.

"Dear Sirs:- In accordance with permission "already granted, the management of the "Fresh Air "Fund" will hold a series of picnics at Franklin Park "during two weeks, beginning July 14. The picnic "on Monday, July 21, is an "Old Folks Party", and "we would like to have an orchestra from the "Germania Band furnish music if you will "kindly allow it. Respectfully, D.W. Waldron."

and it was

Voted, that Mr. Waldron's request be granted.

The following request was received and declined, Mr. Reynolds being present.

"Boston, July 5th 1890.

"To Board of Park Commissioners.

"Gentlemen: I would like to know if you "would let the store at No. 1755 Tremont St. for "the use of selling groceries and liquor as I intend "to apply to the Police Commissioners for a License of "the 4th Class. If so I will give $25. dollars a month

" after the license are granted. Stone to remain in Store
" until it was taken April 30th Respectfully
Thomas Reynolds, 1728 Tremont St."

Voted, that the Park Commissioners of Brookline be authorized to deposite and store top soil on the Boston side of the new boundary line at the points marked A. B. C. & D. on the plan presented by Mr. French at the last meeting of the Board.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, July 9. 1890

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Livermore, Fenno, and Walker, also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. Henry J. Bowen reported that he had estimated the value of the estate of D. A. Wall on 2 street taken for the Parkway at $5.000 and the flats outside of Burnham's wharf at 1 to 1½ cts. per foot.

Mr. Bowen also stated that Mr. Wm. F. Tufts was a client of his and that he had authorized him to offer to settle his damages at ten cents per foot for the land taken and three cents per foot for the flats.

Mr. Bowen was authorized to make an offer of eleven thousand dollars with the understanding that the remainder of the estate will be exempt from betterments and entrance to the parkway allowed under the usual restrictions.

The following communication was received.

" Boston July 8th 1890.

" To the Board of Park Commissioners
" - of the City of Boston.

" The lease of the rooms occupied by your Board having
" expired, you are hereby notified that the New England

July 9. 1890. "Mutual Life Insurance Company desires possession "of the rooms, and you are requested to vacate the "same at the end of the ensuing quarter.

"Very respy. Benj. F. Stevens, President"

and it was

Voted, that the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested to secure rooms for this Department before October 1st. Park street being preferred.

Voted, that the Street Department be requested to set blue stone edgings around the small grass plots on the north side of Commonwealth Avenue next west of West Chester Park.

The City Engineer presented a plan entitled "Modified "plan showing part to be filled under Joseph E. White's "contract with the City of Boston for filling at Marine Park" and dated June 28. 1890. He also stated that the papers for modifying the contract were not quite ready for signing by the Board. It was thereupon

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to sign a modification of the contract with James E. White for filling at the Marine Park embracing the work to be done under the modified plan of filling, dated June 28. 1890, and in accordance with the proposal of James E. White dated June 23. 1890, and accepted by vote of the Board June 26th.

The Secretary stated that he had inquired of the Board of Police if the reason assigned in Mr. Boardman's letter as to Mr. Grant's failure to secure a liquor license was the true one, and had been told that such was not the cause of their action. The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Boardman accordingly, and that no action by this Board in the matter seems therefore to be necessary.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to lay a Water pipe to the top of Scarboro Hill at Franklin Park.

Michael Gorry came before the Board and made a statement of injuries received at Franklin Park substantially as taken by Mr. Shaw at a previous time

and on file, and it was

Voted, that on the statement of Michael Gorry of 94 Heath Street the opinion of the Corporation Counsel be requested as to whether this Department is liable for damages for the injury sustained in the manner stated.

Voted, that the offer to Mary Mc. Gettrick of $2,700. for her estate on Downer Street be made $2,400. the former offer having been suspended and no notice having been given her.

Voted, that offers be made to owners of estates taken for park purposes on Downer Street as follows:

Peter Brandley . . .	$3,800.
Bartholomew Hickey . . .	2,600
James Cahill . . .	4,350

Mr. Jeremiah Donovan came before the Board in the matter of damages for the taking of his land on Kimball Street.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, July 23. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Livermore, Fenno and Walker.

Also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson, Howe and A. H. French.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. O. P. Coe came before the Board in the matter of his damages for land taken in the rear of Autumn Street. Bartholomew Hickey, John Mc. Auley, Andrew Griffin, James Cain, William Finneran, Peter E. Brandley, and Mc. Mahan severally came before the Board in regard to a settlement of damages.

Offers were made as follows:

Bartholomew Hickey . $2,600. & allow him to take the house.

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Andrew Griffin.	1.500.
James Coin.	1.500.
William Finneran.	18.000. or 14.000 and the buildings
Peter E. Brandley.	4.000.
Thomas Mc. Mahan Heirs.	2.300.
Francis Malley.	4.700.
Mary Mc. Gettrick.	2.700.
Eliza Mc. Keon.	11.000.

Mr. E. S. Winchester called in regard to effecting a settlement of damages for the taking of land and flats of Winchester & Hayden for the South Boston Parkway.

The Commissioners offered to pay $13.500. which was declined. Mr. Winchester desired the Commissioners to have the property examined by a competent Engineer to see if the natural spring and the large amount of gravel on the flats do not enhance the value of the land beyond that of others similarly situated but without these advantages.

Mr. Jackson said that the Water Board desired to know if this Department intended taking any of the loam which was to be excavated from Basin 5 Ashland by the Water Board. He also stated that a short section of track would require to be built at the Basin, the expense of which might be divided between the City and the town of Brookline and the Railroad Company they requiring loam also. The Railroad Company would transport the loam to Boston for 62½ cts. per cubic yard.

Mr. French reported that about 40.000 cubic yards of loam would be required on the Boston side of the Muddy River and that Brookline will require about 27.000 cubic yards, it was thereupon

Voted, that the City Engineer inform the Boston Water Board that this Department will take not less than 40.000 cubic yards of loam for the Parkway, and that the Chairman in connection with the Brookline Park Commissioners, invite proposals from the Boston and Albany

Railroad for the transportation of the material to the places on Muddy River to be selected by the City Engineer and the Engineer for the town of Brookline; said proposals to include the cost of all tracklaying needed, and for the handling of the material.

Mr. French also reported that there were 7 or 8000 cubic yards of loam between Brookline Avenue and Fremont street that will require to be stripped and piled in advance of filling or grading, and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer prepare plans and specifications for stripping the loam from the places required to be graded on the Parkway, Muddy River.

Voted, that the City Engineer prepare plans and specifications for the filling required on the Fremont and Longwood entrances of the Fens and on the Parkway Muddy River, and invite proposals for the same subject to the Chairman's approval.

The Secretary stated that Thomas Salmon on the recommendation of Mr. Dunckley had agreed to accept the Commissioners offer of $4.000 with interest from April 30 to August 1, $60. and proportion of Water rates $10. making a total of $4.070. and the following was passed.

Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land containing 3000 square feet belonged to Thomas Salmon as appears by said act, it is therefore hereby

Voted, that there be awarded and paid to Thomas Salmon, the sum of Four thousand and seventy dollars upon his giving a deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor

July 23. 1890. for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Muddy River Improvement.

Mr. Olmsted presented the following proposal from Dr. Sargent for gymnastic apparatus and recommended its acceptance.

To the Park Commissioners of Boston.

Dear Sirs: I hereby agree to furnish the enclosed list of apparatus with all attachments except the iron frame, and put it in place ready for use for ($1400.) Fourteen Hundred Dollars.

Boston July 23. 1890. D. A. Sargent.

List of Apparatus for the Charlesbank Gymnasium for Girls.

11 Traveling Rings and attachments. 2 Single Trapeze with height made adjustable by pulleys and chain attachments. 2 sets of Flying Rings with height made adjustable by pulleys and chain attachments. 12 pairs of Chest Weights to run in Wooden boxes. 4 Jumping Standards & Ropes. 2 Giant Strides, Ropes, Handles and fixtures. 24 Ring Quoits and pins. 12 Hoops. 12 Jumping Ropes. 2 Balance Swings and frames. 2 See-Saws with side rails and guards. 2 See Saws plain. 2 Single Swings. 2 Pole Ladders. 2 Perpendicular Ladders. 4 Hanging Ropes, fastened at the bottom. 1 Long Inclined Rope and attachments. 4 Long Inclined Poles. 11 Short Inclined Poles. 4 Perpendicular Ladders combined in Centre Section. 5 Serpentine Ladders united with guard rail. 2 Perpendicular Climbing Poles. 12 Swinging Ropes. 1 Horizontal Rope Ladder. 11 Long Horizontal Bars and Stanchions with height adjustable. 1 pr. of High Parallels.

Voted, That the proposal of D. A. Sargent for furnishing the apparatus included in the list accompanying his proposal for $1.400 be accepted.

Voted, That the City Engineer be authorized to construct the iron frames for holding the gymnastic apparatus

at the Charlesbank Gymnasium for girls.

The following was received:

"City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.

"To the Heads of Departments. Gentlemen:- In honor "of the National Encampment of the Grand Army of "the Republic for 1890, the City Hall will be closed on the "day of the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic, "Tuesday, August 12; the ordinary business of the Depart- "ments will be suspended for that day; and a general "holiday, without loss of pay, will be given to all employees "whose services can be dispensed with, as part com- "pensation for the duties performed by them.

"July 18. 1890. Respectfully, Thomas N. Hart, Mayor.

and it was

Voted, that all employees in this Department whose services can be dispensed with be given a holiday without loss of pay on August 12, as part compensation for the duties performed by them.

The following was received and read, Michael Gorry being present.

"City of Boston, Office of the Corporation Counsel.

July 10. 1890.

"Geo. F. Clarke, Esq. Secy. of Board of Park Commissioners

"My dear Sir:- Upon the facts set out in the state- "ment enclosed relating to the manner in which "Michael Gorry was injured, I do not think that "either the City, or the Park Department, is liable "to him therefor. I return the statement which you "had best preserve. Respectfully yours, J. B. Richardson, Corporation Counsel.

Mr. Gorry asked if the Commissioners would pay his board bill and doctor's bill while suffering from his injury and the Secretary was directed to ask the Corporation Counsel if he thinks it would be right if this Department paid Mr. Gorry's doctor's bill.

The following was received, read & placed on file.

"South Boston, July 21. 1890.

July 23. 1890. "J. L. Livermore Esq. Chairman Park Commissioners
"Boston Mass. Dear Sir: Your esteemed favor 15th
"inst. was duly received. The agreement therein set
"forth is satisfactory to me and I hereby accept it.
" I would respectfully say, however, that for attendance
"at court, should I be obliged to give testimony hereafter,
"I should feel entitled to additional remuneration.
" Very respectfully yours Henry J. Bowen.
A communication was received from E. A. Hammond Superintendant of the Boston Revere Beach and Lynn railroad complaining of boys throwing stones at the cars from Wood Island Park Bridge which was read and placed on file (for reply see letter book 3. p. 938)
Voted, that Hubbard D. Martin, Peter Houghton, and Timothy Sullivan, watchmen and laborers at Wood Island Park, be appointed park police officers in connection with their present duties but without pay as such police officers.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, August 18. 1890.
An informal meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 12 m. for the purpose of receiving and opening the bids called for by advertisement for grading about 6000 cubic yards of material at the Back Bay Fens.
Mess. Livermore and Fenno were present as were also Messrs Jackson and Howe and a representative from the Mayor's office.
The following bids were received and opened in the presence of the bidders:

Thomas Minton	62½ cts. per cubic yard.
Owen Nawn	35 " " " "
James A. Murphy	34½ " " " "

The lowest bid was accepted and the contract awarded to James A. Murphy. The amount of bonds was fixed at $500.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, September 3. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Livermore, Fenno and Walker. Also present messrs Olmsted Cheeney and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Proposals for filling at Marine Park and on the Parkway were received and opened in the presence of Mr. Sherburne from the Mayor's office and the bidders, & were as follows:

Proposals for filling at Marine Park.

New England Dredging Company.

200,000 Cubic yards 67 cents per Cubic yard
400,000 " " 73 " " " " "

Eastern Dredging Company.

200,000 Cubic yards 59 cents per Cubic yard
400,000 " " 54 " " " " "

Perkins & White

200,000 Cubic yards 57 cents per Cubic yard
400,000 " " 53 " " " " "

The Eastern Dredging Company also proposed: In lieu of the foregoing propositions and subject to the same conditions, we will furnish in place the required filling if 200,000 yards at fifty seven cents per Cubic yard and if 400,000 yards at fifty one cents per Cubic yard, Provided: we can obtain and are allowed to use the necessary quantity of gravel from "Winchesters' flats", so called, and are also allowed to use any mud for filling that we may be obliged to handle in uncovering the gravel.

Proposals for filling on the Parkway Back Bay Fens about 120,000 Cubic yards.

Edward Finnerty and M. Kelley 90 cts. pr. Cubic yard
Boston & Albany R.R. Comp'y. 51 " " " "

The proposals were taken under advisement and subsequently awarded to the lowest bidder viz:

Perkins & White 400.000 Cubic yards @ 53 cts.
Boston & Albany R.R. Co. 120,000 " " @ 51 "

Sep. 3. 1890. The following was received read & placed on file.

"Office of City Engineer, Boston Aug. 9. 1890.

"Col. J. L. Livermore, Chairman Park Commissioners.

Dear Sir: At your request I have "advised with the President of the B. & A. R. R Co. "concerning the furnishing of loam at Muddy River. "The R. R. Co. will transport the loam from Basin "V at Ashland to Muddy river and deliver on tracks "now laid for 60 cents per cubic yard, all track laying "needed to deliver elsewhere along Muddy river to be "at the expense of Boston or Brookline and the branch "track to the basin to be no expense to the R. R. Co. Also "the R. R. Co. will load the loam on cars for an additional "price of not more than 12 cents per cu. yd.

"An estimate is being made of the cost of laying the "branch track into basin at Ashland which I will submit "when completed. Yours truly William Jackson City Engineer."

Mr. Henry J. Bowen presented his appraisal of the estates taken by the city of Boston for park purposes on the southerly shore of South Boston, April 30. 1890. Placed on file.

Mr. Moses Williams came before the Board in reference to the claim of Mrs. Mc. Keon for damages.

A hearing was given to D. R. Melcher who claimed to have been unlawfully arrested by special officer Mc. Cann at Franklin Park. Captain Lucy of the Cambridge Police appeared with Mr. Melcher and John Mc. Gee, & John Stapleton with officer Mc. Cann, after a full hearing at the suggestion of the Chairman the matter was allowed to drop by consent of both parties.

Mr. Seth Perkins came before the Board in regard to the Pier head contract which has been completed to the satisfaction of the City Engineer. He asked that the final estimate be paid in full, irrespective of the penalty in the contract for exceeding the time within which it should have been finished.

Assistant City Engineer Cheney represented Mr. Jackson in the matter and after explanations by him and Mr.

Howe and upon their recommendation it was

Voted, that the Chairman approve the final estimate of work done and material furnished on the Pier head, Marine Park, by Jos. E. White under his contract dated march 23d 1889, and modified August 15, 1889 notwithstanding the time limit and penalty in said contract

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to have the abutment wall on Pier Head at Marine Park relaid.

Voted, that the contract for filling 400.000 cubic yards at the Marine Park, according to the specifications and form of contract accompanying their proposal, be awarded to Perkins & White for the sum of fifty three cents per cubic yard.

Voted, that the amount of bonds required be fixed at sixty thousand dollars.

Voted, that the contract for filling about 120.000 cubic yards on the Parkway Back Bay Fens, according to the specifications contained in the advertisement for proposals, be awarded to the Boston and Albany Railroad Company for the sum of 51 cents per cubic yard.

Voted, that the amount of bonds required be fixed at twenty thousand dollars.

Mrs. Ann Hoben came before the Board in reference to her claim for damages for land taken on Muddy River, and it was

Voted, that, Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land containing 446 square feet belonged to Ann Hoben as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Ann Hoben the sum of two hundred and twenty three dollars upon her proving title thereto

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and giving a deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Muddy River Improvement.

Alderman Leary appeared before the Board in the interest of Mary Mc. Gettrick, and upon his representations it was

Voted, that the offer to Mary Mc. Gettrick for damages for her property on Downer Street be increased to three thousand dollars.

The Secretary stated that in the absence of the Corporation Counsel he had consulted Assistant City Solicitor Nason in regard to Mr. Garry's claim for damages and had been told that it was customary for departments to pay a man's expenses in such cases to avoid a suit although the City might not be legally responsible for the injury.

It was thereupon

Voted, that Mr. Garry be paid the amount of his doctor's bill for attendance on account of injury sustained while working at Franklin Park provided he gives a release of all claims for damages satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Adjourned to Thursday Sept. 4 at 2 P. M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, September 4 1890

Pursuant to adjournment a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M. Present messrs Livermore, Perry & Walker.

Also present Mess. Jackson & Howe.

The contract with James A. Murphy for grading at the Back Bay Fens was signed by the Commissioners.

The Chairman stated that he had conferred with

the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners in regard to the bill presented by that Board for compensation for tide water displaced by the building of the wooden pier at Marine Park, and it had been agreed that the matter should stand until a final determination and disposition of the whole question of compensation could be made.

The Chairman presented the following petition which was referred to the Engineer in Charge for report.

"House of Representatives, U. S.
"Washington D.C. Augt. 25. 1890.

"Col. Thomas L. Livermore, Dear Sir: In reply "to your favor of the 15th. of July, I enclose the peti- "tion of William C. Brown asking for leave to estab- "lish a pleasure boat service at the Marine Park "Pier. He is willing to do whatever the Board of "Park Commissioners may require and I know "he will fully satisfy them, in regard to any require- "ments they may impose upon him.

"I recommend him to you as a man in every way "worthy of favorable consideration, and as a man, "to whom should the privilege be granted, the "Board will have no cause to regret their action.

"Yours very respectfully, Jos. A. O'Neil."

"To the Board of Park Commissioners
"of the City of Boston, Gentlemen: The "undersigned most respectfully requests that you "grant to him the privilege at Marine Park for "boat letting. The boats to be pleasure boats of all "kinds, and to be first class, also the floating stages "and house thereon to be the same. If no arrange- "ments be made by the Board before the spring "of 1891 for landing stage would be willing to "put up same until the Board would arrange a "place. Yours most respectfully, William C. Brown "12 T. Wharf, Boston July 24. "90."

The following petition was received, Mr. Howe

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stating that the facts stated in the petition were true
" To the Park Commissioners City of Boston.
" Dear Sirs. As the Mason Builders Association of
" Boston has voluntary raised the wages of Stone Masons
" to forty-two (.42) per hour, therefore We, the Stone Masons
" employed on Franklin Park, respectfully petition an
" advance of wages to the same rate, Very Respectfully,
" Jas. A. King. Edmond Russell. Robert Keefe.
" John E. Johnson. Patrick Lee. David Mc. Carthy.
" Timothy P. Costello. P. J. Sullivan. John W. Doyle.
" Franklin Park, Boston, Mass. July 26. 1890.

and it was

Voted, that the wages of stone masons in the employ of the Department be raised to 42 cents per hour to take effect on this week's pay-roll.

The following was received:

" Boston, August 26. 1890.
" Board of Park Commissioners.
" Gentlemen:- Replying to your communication
" of April 30th last, I would say that in consideration
" of your waiving all claim for betterment on the remain-
" der of my land, and assuming all expenses, such as
" the erection of stone bank or retaining wall, damage
" to fences, etc. etc., arising from or by reason of your
" taking a part of my land, I will give you a deed
" for what you take at the rate of one dollar per foot,
" and waive all claim for damage to my estate
" Dictated. Very respectfully yours Annie I. Coe. By O. B. Coe."

and it was

Voted, that an offer of damages equal to sixty cents per square foot of land taken be made to Annie I. Coe upon the conditions set forth in her communication of August 26. 1890, and the further condition of her agreeing to hold her remaining land subject to the usual restrictions pertaining to parkway frontages.

It was also

Voted, that similar offers be made to J. Bartlett Patten,

and Caroline N. Clarke, with an additional sum of six hundred dollars to Mr. Patten for his stable.

The offer of George Curtis to settle his claim for damages for the taking of land for the Parkway at four cents per square foot without betterments being communicated through the Secretary, it was

Voted, that the Secretary make on behalf of the Board an offer of damages equal to three cents per square foot of land taken or $5,557.50 subject to the usual release of grade and all other damages and the city to assume any betterments assessed on his remaining land also on condition of his obtaining a release from his tenant of any claims for damages which he may have and that he hold his remaining land within 100 feet from the line subject to the restrictions pertaining to Parkway frontages.

The Secretary submitted a plan and corrected estimate of the assessed valuation of the land taken from the overseers of the poor of the City of Boston which had been prepared with the aid of Chairman Tills of the Board of Assessors and had received his sanction as being a fair proportion of the assessment of the whole estate, the valuation of the land taken, by this estimate, being $14,133.68. The Secretary also stated that Hon. F. W. Lincoln, who had been authorized by the Overseers of the Poor, to make a settlement, had suggested that the payment of the above sum without deduction for betterments would be satisfactory to them. It was thereupon

Voted, that an offer of $13,133.68 be made to the Overseers of the Poor in settlement of damages for the taking of their land, with the understanding that the City will assume all betterments that may be assessed upon their remaining lands, and that they will hold their remaining lands subject to the usual restrictions pertaining

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The form of deed for the conveyance of lands to the City for the connection of the Parkway with Beacon Street at Audubon Circle as approved by the Board June 9th with further amendments desired by the owners was agreed to and referred to the Corporation Counsel for his approval.

The Secretary stated that the sisters of the House of the Good Shepherd desire to go to Franklin Park once each year to receive contributions from the men and which they had been prevented from doing by the Park Police, and it was

Voted, that it is impracticable to grant their request.

Voted, that the Secretary cause the Thayer building at Franklin Park to be sold at public auction to be removed on or before October 1st.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to surface Scarborough Street from Morton Street to the Scarboro Hill road for temporary Entrance to Franklin Park.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge place signs to warn persons that boating and bathing are dangerous near the outlets of the Muddy River and Stony brook covered channels.

Voted, that the Superintendent of Public Buildings be authorized to place voting booths on Charlesbank the same as last year and under the direction of the Engineer in Charge.

The following communication was received and read:

"Mr. Clarke, Secy. Park Commissioners. Dear Sir:
"In reference to proposed passageway rear of block we
" of Beacon Street and Charlesgate West what we want
" to do is like this: Run a six foot passageway
" from Charlesgate grading it down so that a team
" could back down to the back yard gates and running
" a granite curb at points a-a- & B. B. (plan attached) and
" brick pave the remainder of sidewalks a-a- to c. excepting
" spaces wherein your trees are growing. This we

"believe we have a right to do under the deeds from "Boston Water Power Co. to City of Boston - which "conveys "for the purposes of streets" - i.e. for usual "purposes same as all other streets, and giving of course "a right to pass and enter for accommodation of "dwelling houses as elsewhere. If you disagree with "us and refuse to permit this will you kindly notify "me at your earliest convenience, and oblige

"Yours very truly Henry W. Savage 63 Court St."

And the Secretary was directed to say to Mr. Savage that the Board must decline to permit a passage way to afford entrance to back yard gates for teams, to enter Charlesgate West as being inconsistent with its use for park purposes for which it was laid out.

The following order was received read and placed on file:

"City of Boston.

"In Common Council, July 10, 1890.

"Whereas, the sanitary arrangements for men in the "building at the entrance to the pier at the Marine "Park, South Boston, are unsuitable, it is

"Ordered:- That the Board of Park Commissioners "be requested to discontinue the women's sanitarium on "the first floor of said building (there being a women's "sanitarium on the second floor) and to add the "space so discontinued to the sanitarium for men: also "to provide such additional fixtures as may be re- "quired, and to cause the entrance to the men's "sanitarium to be from the outside of the building, "instead of through the cafe as at present.

"Passed, sent up for concurrence. In Board of "Aldermen, July 28, concurred. Approved by the "Mayor, July 30, 1890. A true copy.

"Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

The following was received and Mr. Howe stated that he had discharged the man and notified the Civil Service Commissioners.

"Office of Civil Service Commission.

Sep. 4. 1890.

"5 Pemberton Square Boston Aug. 26. 1890.
"To the Park Commissioners. Dear Sirs: Information
"has been received at this office to the effect that
"one William Archibald has been employed in the
"Park Department under the name of Jeremiah O'
"Mahoney who was regularly certified for employment
"on September 27. 1889. The return to this office
"shows that said O'Mahoney was employed upon
"such certification October 2. 1889. The employment
"of said Archibald is therefore illegal and must
"cease. Please send a notice of his discharge to
"this office. Very respectfully, Warren P. Dudley, Secy."
The following was received and the Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt and express the satisfaction of the Commissioners with the intention of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to facilitate the progress of the work at the Fens:
"Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners.
"Boston August 21st 1890.
"Col. Thos. J. Livermore, Chairman, Board of
"Park Commissioners, Boston, Dear Sirs:- Your letter
"of the 7th inst. was shown me August 11th after
"my return from a brief vacation. I immediately
"requested the Asst. City Engineer detailed on park
"work to call and explain the details and study
"with me the best plan for all concerned. It was
"concluded that it would be best to get the sewer con-
"tractor to start another gang to work on the sewer
"through the Fens. I accordingly asked the contractor
"and he has agreed to soon start the new gang.
"The sewer Commissioners at their last meeting directed
"me to inform you as above and to say that we will,
"while your and our work is in operation, do all
"that is practicable to promote the progress of both,
"Yours respectfully, H. A. Carson, Chf. Engr."
The following was received.
"Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad.
"Boston, August 18. 1890.

"Park Commissioners of the City of Boston,
"85 Milk St. Boston, Mass. Gentlemen:- Yesterday,
"Sunday, about a quarter before four in the afternoon
"the boys on Wood Island Park bridge again threw stones
"at one of our trains that was going towards Lynn, and
"a passenger whose name is A. C. Haley of #36 W. 4th.
"st. So. Boston was struck by a stone in the face.
"I do not think any of your officers were there at
"this time. Yours truly, C. A. Hammond, Supt."
And the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Hammond that the Board had stationed a man at the Bridge upon the receipt of his letter, who would be kept there for the present.

The following was received, Mr. Howe stating that he had seen His Honor the Mayor and recommended that the claim be referred to the Street Department.

"Office of City Engineer. Boston July 29. 1890.
"Col. Thomas L. Livermore, Chairman, Bd. Park Commissioners
"Dear Sir. I have investigated the complaint of
"Dennis Dorgan and find that he bases his claim on
"the fact, as he alleges, that an embankment on the
"lower side of Pennington Street near the Jewish
"Cemetery was removed by a contractor who was fur-
"nishing loam at Wood Island Park. This allowed
"the wash from the street to flow across some vacant
"land and on to his premises. The place is not
"near the Park and the Department had nothing to
"do with the matter as it simply paid for the loam
"at a certain price delivered on the park not
"specifying where it was to be obtained. I think
"the matter should be referred to the Paving Department.
"Respectfully yours E. W. Howe. Asst. Engineer."

The following was received and with statement placed on file:

"July 31. 1890.
"Mr. Clarke. Dear Sir. I send herewith a
"statement of the quantities of work &c. involved in

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"the construction of the Muddy River Improvement.

"Very truly Alexis A. French."

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, September 18. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Mess. Ferno and Walker, Mr. Livermore being absent from the City. Also present messrs E. W. Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. Thomas Sproules came before the Board to obtain a settlement of his damages for land taken on Downer street and offered to accept $1162. which was the amount the land had cost him. It was thereupon

Voted, that. Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land, containing 3000 square feet, belonged to Thomas Sproules as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Thomas Sproules the sum of Eleven hundred and sixty two dollars upon his proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Muddy River Improvement.

Mr. John Fanilo came before the Board and offered to settle with the City for $2500. The Commissioners agreed to raise their offer of $3500, or $3000. and the house, to

$ 3,750 and $ 3,250 respectively, which Mr. Garrity declined.

Mr. Moses Williams appeared for Mrs. Mc. Keon and asked that the Board give her the front house in addition to the $11,000 offered by them.

Action was postponed until the Chairman could be present.

Mr. John Briggs came before the Board to ask for a settlement of his damages for land taken on Muddy River. He wanted $9,000, but would accept a less sum.

The Commissioners agreed to make an offer after consideration by the full Board.

Mr. A. M. Pendleton appeared for the Heirs of Stephen W. Dearborn and of Albert Brown, and offered to settle for sixty five cents per square foot for all the land taken on Muddy River including that in the river.

Mr. P. R. Corbett offered to settle his damages for land taken on the South Boston Parkway for fifteen cents per square foot.

Messrs Pendleton & Corbett were asked to come before the full Board at a future meeting.

Mr. Olmsted recommended that in the construction of the Muddy River Section of the Parkway the grade of the bottom of the water may be fixed at grade 3 instead of grade 5 as heretofore indicated on the plans and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to change the grade of the water way on the plans from grade 5 to grade 3 as recommended by Mr. Olmsted, and to submit the revised plans to the Board for approval.

Mr. Henry D. Hyde came before the Board to suggest that the sidewalks along the south side of the drive way on Commonwealth Avenue and abutting on the spaces to be planted, be discontinued and their areas added to those spaces. He said that his

Sep. 18. 1890. observation of the foot travel on the Avenue led him to think that they would be little used as walks, and, therefore, in view of the proposed reduction of the planted spaces in order to widen the side roads the symmetry of Mr. Olmsted's plan of the avenue would be better maintained by the addition of these walks to these spaces. The suggestion of Mr. Hoyde was referred to Mr. Olmsted to look into and report at a subsequent meeting.

Voted, that the plans of the Women's Lavatory Building for Charlesbank as prepared by Messrs Walker & Peck under the direction of Mr. Olmsted and presented this day be approved, and that the City Engineer be requested to prepare the working plans specifications and form of contract and advertise for proposals as soon as possible.

Mr. Howe submitted the specifications and form of contract for grading four sections of the parkway along Muddy River which had already received the approval of the Chairman. He stated that some part of the filling on the section along Audubon Road between Brookline Avenue and the railroad all the work on the Downer street section and A section at the upper end near Perkins Street had been omitted in the work proposed to be let at this time and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to advertise for proposals for said work to be received October 6th at 2 P.M.

Councilman Samuel A. Wise of South Boston called in company with Mr. Park also of the Common Council and stated that he desired to offer an order in the Common Council at its next meeting requesting the Park Commissioners to grant a site in the Marine Park for a statue of Admiral Farragut. He wished to know if the Board would look upon the matter favorably that he might so state to the Council.

At the suggestion of the Commissioner it is agreed to postpone his order to give the Board an opportunity to consult with Mr. Olmsted as to the suitableness of the location.

Mr. Charles H. Dodge made application through the Secretary to use the entrance or gateway in Charlesgate East temporarily to deliver material to house being built for Mr. Silsbee on Beacon Street, and it was

Voted, that permission be granted until revoked provided the opening be guarded in a manner satisfactory to the Sergeant of Police.

Two communications from Mr. Graham Superintendant of the Charlesbank Gymnasium and a letter from the Chairman in regard thereto and other matters were received read and placed on file.

Messrs Perkins & White presented the following list of names for bondsmen on their contract and the matter was taken under advisement.

"Boston, September 17. 1890.

"To the Board of Park Commissioners.

"Gentlemen, We would respectfully present "the following named gentlemen as parties on "bond of sixty thousand for contract awarded to "us for Park Filling.

"Dr. Joseph P. Paine. Roxbury, Mass.
"D. Wm. L. Faxon. Quincy, Mass.
"Augustus Russ, Lawyer for $10.000, Boston, Mass.
"Joseph P. Emond, Carriage builder, 2113 Washington "Street, Roxbury, and P. F. Mc. Donald, Iron and "Steel Merchant, 151 Pearl Street, Boston.

"Very respectfully Perkins & White, 1 Beacon Street."

The following applicants for positions on the Park Police were examined.

Jeremiah Mc. Craith.	Eugene H. Ayers.
John F. Norcott.	Timothy De Coursey.
James J. Pruden.	Martin Bergin.
Patrick H. Hardy.	John E. Philbrook

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Samuel Anderson. ✓
Frank A. Dinsmore. ✓
Oemer H. Ells. ✓
Augustus Mc. Laughlin. ✓
Charles F. Cooper. ✓
Dennis Sullivan.

Michael F. Fitzgerald.
Charles P. Fiske. Fiennes
Foster M. Haskell.
Patrick J. Sheridan.
James Galvin.
George Morong.

Adjourned to Friday 19th inst. at 10. A.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston September 19. 1890.

Pursuant to adjournment a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 10 A.M.

Present Messrs Livermore, Fenno, and Walker.

Mr. Moses Williams came before the Board to ask if the Commissioners would allow Mrs. Mc. Keon to take the front building in addition to the amount offered her for damages. The Commissioners offered to allow her $10.000 and the front building if she preferred a settlement on those terms.

The following was received, and refered to the Secretary and Mr. Howe for reply:

"Office of Civil Service Commission.

"Boston September 16. 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners, Boston, Mass.

"Dear Sirs: From an examination of the pay-roll "of the Park Department of August 21. 1890. Philip "K. Brady appears to be employed as a special pub- "keeper, and the civil service Commissioners respect- "fully request that you send to them a statement "of the duties of the office, in order that they may "determine whether or not it falls within the classi- "fied service. The name of Thomas Donnelly, laborer, "also appears on paid roll, as in the employ of the "department. The records in this office show that "said Donnelly resigned October 8th. 1889, and it

"does not appear that he has been restored to the
"department through certification from this office.
"His employment, therefore, appears to be illegal.
"Very respectfully, Warren P. Dudley, Secretary."
The following was received and referred to the City Engineer with the request that he comply with the requirements of the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners.

"Harbor and Land Commissioners' Office,
"Boston, September 10. 1890.
"To the Board of Park Commissioners, Boston, Mass.
"Gentlemen:- We desire to call your attention to
"the conditions of the license from this Board, (No. 1271.
"dated June 26. 1890.) authorizing filling to be done by you
"at the "Marine Park" So. Boston, whereby you are required
"to report monthly to this Board the quantity of filling
"done under said license, and the places from which
"dredged material is obtained, and to do such dredging
"to depths approved by this Board: also requiring
"notice to be given to this Board before beginning said
"dredging. Under a previous License (No. 1211, dated
"Nov. 14, 1889.) it will be noticed that the specifications
"for filling accompanying said license and approved
"by this Board, provide that "no filling, if taken from
"within the lines of Boston Harbor, will be received
"unless the same shall have been taken from places appro-
"ved by the Massachusetts Board of Harbor and Land
"Commissioners, and by the Park Commissioners".
"We would also remind you that, in assessing for tide-
"water displaced by filling and other work in connection
"with the "Marine Park", no allowance can be made
"for dredging done between the planes of mean high
"and low water (if any), unless all such dredging is
"done under conditions like the above.
"Very respectfully Yrs. for the Board John E. Sanford, Chr.
A petition signed by Moody Merrill and others Residents and taxpayers of Roxbury requesting that a portion of Franklin Park be set apart for a small lake for

Sep. 19. 1890. boating and skating purposes was received read and placed on file.

The sureties on the contract with the Boston & Albany Railroad Company were approved and the contract signed.

A communication from Richard Allen Dawson of Washington D. C. asking for information in regard to the establishment of the Charlesbank Gymnasium was received read and referred to the Secretary for reply, provided that Mr. Olmsted and Dr. Sargent consent to the use of the plans of the grounds and apparatus

The following applicants for positions on the Park Police were examined. Francis M. Doble.

Daniel J. Sullivan. George A. Durgin

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, September 25. 1890

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present messrs Livermore, Fenno, and Walker, also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson & Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Messrs G. F. W. Braman and George F. Richardson Trustees of the Boston Water Power Company, Mr. S. W. Thurlow of Lowell, representing Mr. Fredk. Ayer of Lowell. Mr. W. O. Williams, representing Mr. White, and Mr. Folsom held a conference with the Board at the suggestion of the Commissioners in regard to the building of roads on either side of the Fremont Entrance on land of the abutters.

The Commissioners offered to build the roads if the abutters would contribute the necessary land.

The trustees of the Boston Water Power Company agreed to enter into the arrangement provided that the others did, and under this proposition the other owners

asked further time to consider the matter.

A consultation was held with the Trustees of the Boston Water Power Company in regard to acquiring for the City the lands required to widen the Entrance from the Fens to Brookline Avenue. The trustees offered to settle on a basis of $1.50 per foot for the land needed and the Board took the matter under advisement.

Frank A. Fay of Brookline and Mr. Jacobs, living on Kimball Street Roxbury, came before the Board and stated what they knew of the charges against Special Officer William Cotter, which appeared in the Record of August 30. Mr. Fay stated further that Sergeant Mc. Causland of the Brookline Police could testify to circumstances of Mr. Cotter being intoxicated and turning his family out of doors at night so that the Sergeant was obliged to interfere in their behalf.

The Board agreed to take up the matter at the next meeting and have officer Cotter present, and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Fay and Sergeant Mc. Causland of said meeting.

Mr. Jackson submitted the following:

"Boston, September 22. 1890.

"Col. Thomas L. Livermore, Chr. Bd. of Park Commissioners.

"Sir:- The following is an estimate of the cost of "building the proposed branch from the B. & A. R. R. "to the site of Dam 5 in Ashland for conveying "loam for use on the Parkway.

"Earth excavation	6.000 cub. yds. @ $0.35	$	2100.
"Rock "	350 "	1.50	525.
"Timber work	20 M "	35.	700.
"Clearing	6 acres "	50.	300.
"Right of way			600.
"Laying track by B. & A. R. R. Co.			
"track to be furnished and			
"removed by B. & A. R. R. Co.			1550.
		$	5775.
"Plus 15% for contingencies..		$	866.25
			6641.25

"Yours respectfully, William Jackson, City Engineer."

Sep. 25. 1890. and the City Engineer was requested to confer with the Water Board, the Park Commissioners of Brookline and the railroad Company to see what proportion of the cost of the branch railroad they will respectively contribute.

The following was received:

" Circular 42. City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.
" To the Heads of Departments. Gentlemen:- In part
" upon my suggestion, the Citizens' Association of
" Boston has appointed Messrs. Ernest W. Bowditch,
" Joseph P. Davis, and Herbert Shedd a Committee
" to investigate and report upon the conduct of
" business in the executive Departments of the City of
" Boston. I have promised the co-operation of the
" Departments, stating that "all our books will be open
" nothing will be hidden". As the object of the
" investigation is the improvement of the public service
" the Heads of Departments are hereby instructed and
" urged to give the representatives of the Citizens' Associa-
" tion every facility and the fullest Co-operation.
" Messrs. Bowditch, Davis, and Shedd who have
" been selected by the Citizens' Association, are entitled
" to the entire confidence of the Departments.
" Sep. 18. 1890. Respectfully, Thomas N. Hart Mayor."

and it was

Voted, that the Secretary cause the books and files of the Department to be open to the inspection of the Committee of the Citizens Association and afford every facility and assistance to enable the Committee to investigate the conduct of business in this Department.

The following was received.

" To the Park Commissioners of Boston. Messrs.
" I am anxious to gain permission for myself
" and three other ladies to make sketches and drawings
" in the Back Bay Park from various points which might
" make it desirable that we should not keep within
" the limits of the gravel walks. If you can

" grant such permission you will much oblige
" your respectfully Harriet Thayer Durgin,
" Sept. 22. 1890. Peirce Bldg. Copley Square."

Voted, that the Secretary notify her that permission is granted under the direction of the Sergeant of Police and issue a permit to that effect.

The Chairman recommended that the advertisement for proposals for grading at Arnold Arboretum be published in the West Roxbury News, and the Secretary was directed to advertise as proposed provided he obtain the consent of the Mayor thereto.

Voted, that the Secretary advertise for proposals for building the Women's Lavatory Building at Charlesbank according to the plans proposed by Walker & Best, Architects, and that so much of the vote of the Board of September 18 in regard to the plans of said building as relates to advertising etc. by the City Engineer be rescinded.

The following petition was received read and placed on file.

" Charlestown August 1890.
" To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners
" of the City of Boston. Gentlemen: We the
" undersigned citizens of the Charlestown District
" respectfully petition you to select, as the site for
" the new Park, the vacant land extending from
" North Mead Street in a northwesterly direction
" to Quincy Street, and from Bunker Hill Street
" northeasterly to the Mystic water front: because
" it is most centrally located, because it would if
" selected combine the beauties of a hillside and
" a Marine Park, because its elevation affords
" a splended view of the surrounding country
" for miles around, and lastly because it is, in
" our opinion, the healthiest spot in Charlestown.
Michael Kelly" and 451 others.

The following applicants for positions on the Park Police were examined. John D. Barry.

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Charles E. Small. William P. Joy. George Riley.
Philip K. Brady. Geo. A. Smith. Walter C. Huntress.
Samuel H. Roberts. James Riley. John Mc. Glynn.
George D. Kemp. Asa F. Crocker. Allen Hood.
Thos. F. Callahan. Wm. L. Wallingford. Benj. O. Low.
George W. Taylor.

The form of deed for the Parkway land from Audubon Road to Beacon Street was received from the Corporation Counsel having been approved by him and the Secretary was directed to send it to the representative of the owners.

Michael Garry presented bills of D. S. Blanchard M. D. of September 24. 1890, amounting to $38.00 and C. K. Sabine M. D. of July 1. 1890, of $6.00. He also stated that he had paid Doctor Gay of Roxbury on the 13th or 14th May $2.00, all on account of the injury he received at Franklin Park, and it was

Voted, that there be allowed and paid to Michael Garry the sum of Forty four dollars in consideration of his releasing the City of and from all claims and demands for damages cost and expenses, and compensation for, on account of, or in any way growing out of an accident occurring at Franklin Park on the 31st day of March 1890. by which he received injury and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Construction.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, October 2, 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore, Jenno, and Walker Also present Messrs Olmsted & Hower.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. Bowen came before the Board to propose a modification of clause 2 of the restrictions pertaining to parkway frontages to apply to the South Boston section of the Parkway, which had been accepted by Mr. Wells and gave his reasons for the proposed modification. He thought that more stringent restrictions would be prohibitory to the sale of the land fronting on the parkway.

The Board took the matter under consideration.

The offer of Mr. Corbett to settle his damages for land taken from Jeremiah Brown Heirs and Rodney Brown on the East side of K Street for 15 cents per square foot which was made at the meeting of Sept. 18th was declined.

Mr. Andrew Griffin came before the Board and accepted the offer of $1500. for his land and it was

Voted, that, Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land, containing 3000 square feet, belonged to Andrew Griffin as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Andrew Griffin the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge of all damages cats and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for

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Mr. Barnard Capen offered to settle his damages for land taken for the Parkway, South Boston, for the assessed valuation, or $178.50 and restrict his remaining land as required by the Commissioners provided the City would assume all betterments assessed upon his remaining land.

Mr. Capen's offer was accepted.

Dr. H. L. Bowker presented the following letter and called upon Mr. Lawton and another member of the South Boston Citizens Association to substantiate the statements therein made.

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"Dr. H. L. Bowker. Dear Sir. - At the last meeting
"of the South Boston Citizens Association it was
"Voted, That the Sanitary Committee wait upon the
"Park Commissioners and complain of the condition of
"the Retiring Rooms of the Marine Park and try and
"have the matter remedied. The water closets seats
"are stained with filth and are unfit for use also
"the general condition of the grounds around the building
"at the entrance to the Pier is bad. The committee is
"requested to report at the next meeting.

"Yours respectfully, E. J. Powers.

" Com. Sanitary. Dr. H. L. Bowker, Chairman
" Dr. E. S. Boland. 809 Broadway
" Savil H. Wise. 771 Broadway
" James Wood. 913 4th st.
" W. A. Daly 630 3d street.

It was thereupon

Voted, that the Engineer in charge report on the advisability of erecting a separate house of a temporary character for water closets at Marine Park and the probable cost.

Mr. A. E. Tillotson came before the Board in the matter of the passageway in the rear of his house on Beacon Street and Charlesgate West, and represented that it was desirable that light teams be allowed to

enter Charlesgate West to deliver supplies at his rear entrance, but that it would not be desirable to provide an entrance for teams into the passageway, & it was

Voted, that without establishing a precedent thereby the Sergeant of Police be authorized, at his discretion, to permit such service as Mr. Pillsbury desires.

Mr. Pillsbury also stated that he represented Mr. Jacob Edwards in his claim for damages for the taking of his land for the Parkway Muddy River. He said that Mr. Edwards wanted $1.00 per foot for all the land taken.

The Board thought that it ought not to pay more than it had for the neighboring estates, or a maximum price of 28 cents per square foot. He also asked if the Board could allow Mr. Edwards to occupy his stable undisturbed during the winter which was taken under consideration.

The Engineer in charge explained the condition of the work at the Huntington Entrance of the Fens, and the Secretary was directed to call the attention of the Superintendent of Streets to the fact that the North side of the entrance to the Fens from Huntington Avenue at the new Stony Brook outlet is nearly completed and that in order to make it possible to use the entrance it will be necessary for his department to have Parker street at this point raised to the established grade.

Mr. Olmsted presented the plans for grading and laying out the parkway along Muddy River and it was

Voted, that the plans prepared by Mr. Olmsted for laying out the Muddy River Section of the Parkway be approved.

Mr. Olmsted also presented plans for regrading the mounds on Commonwealth Avenue and stated that he did not agree with Mr. Hyde's proposition to do away with the walk along the south side of the driveway.

Special Officer William Cotter appeared before the Board to answer to the charges preferred against him

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by Mr. Fay of Brookline and others which appeared in the Daily Evening Record of August 30th.

Officer Cotter denied the truth of the charges, and as none of those notified of the hearing appeared against him the charges were dismissed.

John E. Ness an applicant for position on the Park Police came before the Board for examination.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston October 6. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present mess. Livermore, Fenno and Walker, also present Messrs Olmsted, Jackson & Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following bids were received in accordance with the advertisements and were opened and read in the presence of Mr. Pallard from the Executive Department and the bidders.

Arnold Arboretum.

	H. P. Nawn.			W. J. Davis.		
a	7500	.45	$3.375.	7500	.39	$2925.
b	17000	.57	9.690.	17000	.28	4.760.
			$13.065			$7.685.

	T. Mc. Carthy.			James Killian.		
a	7500	.65	4.875.	7500	.40	3.000
b	17000	.74	12.580.	17000	.34	5.780
			$17.1455			$8.780

The Parkway.

	A. A. Hall, Section A			James Killian, Section A		
a	2000	.35	700.	2000	.26	520.
b	6900	.70	4.830.	6900	.30	2.070.
c	23000	.70	16.100.	23000	.48	11.040
d.	1800	.65	1.170	1800	.32	576.
			$22.800			$14.206

A. A. Hall. Sec. B

a	3500	.35	1225.
b	2600	.70	1820
c	7300	.75	5475
e	6700	.70	4690
			$13.210

Jas. Killian Sec. B

	3500	.30	1050
	2600	.40	1040
	7300	.50	3650
	6700	.35	2345
			$8.085

Owen Nawn. Sec. B

a	3500	.20	700
b	2600	.40	1040
c	7300	.35	2555
e	6700	.35	2345
			$6640

W. B. Munroe, Ed. F. Brigham, Sec. B

	3500	.29	1015
	2600	.45	1170
	7300	.57	4161
	6700	.55	3685
			$10.031

Wm. B. Munroe, & Edward F. Brigham Sec. C.

a	2500	.29	725
b	7400	.45	3330
c	14100	.57	8037
e	4500	.55	2475
			$14.567

Munroe & Brigham Sec. D

a	7900	.29	2291
b	10000	.59	5900
c	25000	.57	14.250
d	80000	.99	79.200
e	23000	.57	13.110
f	16000	.90	14.400
			$129.151

H. P. Nawn. Sec. D.

	7900	.30	2,370
	10000	.40	4.000
	25000	.60	15.000
	80000	.60	48.000
	23.000	.30	6.900
	16.000	.47	7.520
			$83.790

Jas. A. Murphy Sec. D

a	7900	.30	2,370
b	10000	.49	4,900
c	25000	.58	14.500
d	80000	.85	68.000
e	23000	.44	10.120
f	16000	.84	13.440
			$113.330

The following bids were accepted:
Arnold Arboretum, W. F. Davis
The parkway, Section A. James Killian
" B. Owen Nawn

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section D.- N. P. Nawn.

The bid of Wm. B. Munroe and Edward F. Brigham for section 6 of the Parkway was rejected as being in the opinion of the Board excessive, and its acceptance not being for the interest of the City.

The City Engineer was authorized to readvertise for proposals for grading section 6 of the parkway, the bids to be received October 20 at 2 P.M.

Alderman Carruth and Wm. D. Bird came before the Board to favor the location of the Parkway from Franklin to Marine Park on the line of Dowdoin Street instead of Columbia Street.

Alderman Carruth also called the attention of the Board to a tract of land on Dorchester avenue and Adams Street, adjoining the land recently acquired by the City for a convalescent home in connection with the City Hospital, as a desirable tract of land for local park purposes in Dorchester. The valuation was low and if recommended by the Board he thought an appropriation could be obtained to acquire it.

Alderman Woolley and Frederick Pfeiler came to ask the Board to object to the erection of a brewery on Heath Street near the Parkway as being an injury to the lands fronting on the Parkway and therefore to the Parkway itself. Upon discussion it was concluded that the proposed brewery did not come sufficiently near to enable the Board to offer serious objection on the ground of its being an injury to the Parkway.

Mr. Seth Perkins presented the following communication in regard to two of the names he had previously offered for bondsmen on the filling contract at Marine Park.

"Boston, October 6. 1890.

"Seth Perkins Esq. My dear Sir: In accordance with "your instructions I have made such examination of "the standing of Dr. Joseph P. Paine as time would permit. "I find the Hotel Eliot situated on Bartlett Street Ward "21, taxed to him for $69.000. The land is valued at 9000. "the building at 60.000. I have examined the records

" as far back as 1876 and find no conveyance from
" the doctor affecting the property above mentioned. As to
" Dr. W. L. Faxon I am unable to ascertain where his property is
" located in Norfolk County and it would be necessary to
" examine the records at Dedham which I have not
" had time to do. Yours truly J. F. Cronan."

The Secretary stated that Dr. W. L. Faxon was assessed for $19,050 on real estate in Quincy. It was thereupon

Voted, that the condemnation offered by Mr. Perkins in his letter of September 17, 1890, be accepted.

Mr. L. G. Burnham stated to the Board that he, as owner of one of the houses on the Bay State Road, desired to be permitted to receive and deliver goods and household supplies from the rear of his house, entering from Charlesgate West until such time as another entrance from Bay State Road to the rear of the houses is provided, and it was

Voted, that the Sergeant of Police permit temporarily the passage of teams through Charlesgate West from Beacon Street to the rear of Mr. Burnham's house for receiving and delivering supplies etc. and that the Secretary request the Superintendent of Streets to provide an opening in the fence for that purpose.

The Secretary was also directed to notify the Sergeant of Police to permit the Superintendent of Streets to cart gravel through Charlesgate West from the sea wall to Beacon Street, and to notify the Superintendent of Streets of this action.

Mr. I. B. Patten came before the Board with Architect Bryant and exhibited plans of his house as at present, and as it would require to be altered to conform to the new conditions imposed by the parkway and made the following statement:

" May it please your Honors to allow me a little
" time in which to explain to you my objections to
" the proposed driveway at the rear of my estate on
" Autumn Street. As now situated my house

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" fronts on a pleasant shady avenue with a nice lawn
" stable and yard room in the rear. The plan of
" driveway cuts off my stable and leave only 17 feet rear
" land, by cutting down the grade 6 ft. (as proposed)
" the house itself will be left perched up in the air
" 14 feet above the street level, it would therefore be im-
" possible to slope this grade at an angle of about 45
" degrees. And even a wall 6 ft. high would leave a steep
" slope liable to be washed away. You will see that
" the house left in its present position with an unsightly
" L. projecting over the road will mar the beauty
" of the driveway and diminish the value of the
" property on the road also render it as a residence
" no longer retired and convenient. In view of
" these considerations I contend that the house should
" be set back to 25 feet (which is your restriction) and
" a wall 4 feet high built along the embankment,
" allowing grading to the street. This would require
" an outlay of $3000. exclusive of wall as estimated by
" Mr. Bryant the architect, and as a compensation for
" the restrictions you impose of about 2700 feet. or nearly
" 1/3 of all the land. I propose gentlemen, that you allow
" me the aforesaid sum ($3.000.) as damages to the estate.
" For the land taken I only claim a fair valuation
" and am willing to submit to the judgement of Mr.
" Bryant and Mr. Shaw. The assessors in view of
" Park improvements which are no advantage to me
" have raised the valuation of land to 60 cts. pr. foot and
" a further advance to $1. pr. foot is reasonably anticipated
" it is therefore the more unjust that my property
" should suffer loss of value."

The Board asked Dr. Patten to leave his plans for further consideration.

Mr. John Briggs came before the Board and offered to take $5,000 in settlement of his damages and hold his remaining land subject to the usual restrictions provided the City assume the betterment on his remaining land. Mr. Briggs offer was accepted.

Mr. P. B. Corbett came before the Board to make a settlement if possible of his damages for the taking of land for the Parkway South Boston. After some discussion Mr. Corbett agreed to accept a sum equal to 25 % over the assessed valuation, and it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof two certain parcels of land were supposed to belong respectively to Rodney Brown and the heirs or Devisees of Jeremiah Brown as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Mary F. Corbett, assignee of Charlotte Brown, Sarah A. Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Georgiana P. Pattee and Belle W. Foy, the sum of three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

James Cahill came before the Board on account of his claim for damages for land taken on Downer Street. He was not satisfied with the amount offered by the Board $4,350. As interest and proportion of water rates added to this amount would make it $4.468.66 the Board agreed to call it $4.500. if Mr. Cahill would accept the settlement which he wanted time to consider.

Mary Mc. Gettrick also came before the Board and agreed to accept the $3.000. offered her by the Board provided she could have the house if she wanted to remove it and it was

Voted, that, Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and

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laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land, containing 3000 square feet, belonged to Mary Mc. Gettrick as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Mary Mc. Gettrick the sum of three thousand dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Muddy River Improvement.

Voted, that Mary Mc. Gettrick be allowed to remove the house standing on the land taken from her for park purposes, on or before January 1, 1891.

The plans for regrading the planting spaces on Commonwealth Avenue presented at the last meeting were considered and approved and the Secretary was directed to obtain the opinion of the Corporation Counsel as to whether the Board can properly expend any of the funds appropriated for Park Construction under Chapter 304 of the Acts of 1886 in doing said work.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, October 9. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present Messrs. Livermore and Walker, Mr. Fenno being absent owing to a severe cold, Also present Messrs. Olmsted and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. John Nelson with Mr. Stillings and Mr. J. P. Kendall called to consult the Board with reference

to the construction of Charlesgate from Beacon Street to the river and as to how far sewerage is likely to contaminate the water-ways from the Fens.

Mr. H. P. Nawn appeared and stated that he had made an error in his bid for Section "D" of the Parkway having written in sixty cents instead of ninety cents in the item of 80,000 cubic yards of excavation.

The Commissioners stated that they saw no way by which he could amend his proposal and his contract would have to be readvertised if he concluded not to take it. Mr. Nawn then stated that by the advice of Mr. Owen Nawn he would take the contract and stand the loss.

Mr. W. F. Davis presented a bond in the sum of $2,500. with Thomas A. Rowe of Newton and Michael Kiernan of Boston as Sureties, and it was

Voted, that the bond of W. F. Davis for $2,000 under his contract for grading at the Arnold Arboretum be approved.

The other contractors to whom contracts were awarded October 6th. being present with their bondsmen it was

Voted, that the bond of James Killian for $4,000 with Auguste Lancier of Framingham and Neil Mc. Pride of Boston as Sureties be accepted.

Voted, that the bond of Owen Nawn for $2,500 with H. P. Nawn and John Feeney of Boston as sureties be accepted.

Voted, that the bond of H. P. Nawn for $25,000 with Owen Nawn and J. V. N. Stults of Boston as sureties be accepted.

Corporation Counsel Richardson came before the Board to confer in regard to the power of the Board to expend park funds in improving the planting spaces on Commonwealth Avenue which were placed in charge of the Board by the City Council, and upon which question his opinion had been requested. He thought that without going deeply into the legal aspects of the matter the Board

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could safely go on with the improvement of these spaces as a part of the Back Bay improvement and that no objection could be made by any one to such expenditure. He also stated that Mr. H. H. Lincoln for the Overseers of the Poor had informally asked his opinion as to whether the property on Muddy River held by them for Charitable purposes was liable to betterments for park improvements, and if in settling with the Commissioners they should allow their damages for land taken to be diminished on account of such betterments. Mr. Richardson said he thought it very doubtful whether the Commissioners can properly assess a betterment on the property of the Overseers of the Poor. He also thought the Overseers could give a deed subjecting their land to the restrictions

It was thereupon,

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to the Overseers of the Poor of the City of Boston, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Overseers of the Poor the sum of Fourteen thousand one hundred and thirty three and $\frac{68}{100}$ dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Muddy River Improvement.

Voted, that the restrictions contained in the printed

form of Public Park Deed and applying to park or parkway frontages, excepting for the Back Bay Fens and the Parkway South Boston, be amended in section 3 by omitting the words "cornices at the roof of the building" and substituting in place thereof the words "piazzas projecting not more than ten feet."

Voted, that the restrictions contained in the deeds given by Francis V. Balch Trustee and Catherine Anna Page and by Nancy M. Downer be amended in section 3 by omitting the words "cornices at the roof of the building" provided the said Francis V. Balch, Trustee, Catherine Anna Page, and said Nancy M. Downer shall agree to amend said restrictions by substituting in place of said words omitted the words "piazzas projecting not more than ten feet."

Voted, that the restrictions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed be amended so far only as they apply to the frontages along the Parkway, South Boston, by making the reserved space twenty instead of twenty five feet and by omitting in section 3 the words "cornices at the roof of the building" and substituting in place thereof the words "piazzas projecting not more than eight feet," also by substituting in place of the restrictions under section 2 the following. "No wooden apartment house of more than three stories, nor wooden block consisting of more than two houses, nor wooden house or block standing at a distance less than five feet from the side line of the lot upon which the same is placed, and no wooden house costing less than four thousand dollars, nor brick or stone house costing less than six thousand dollars, nor wooden apartment houses of two stories costing less than five thousand dollars, nor wooden apartment house of three stories costing less than six thousand

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dollars, nor apartment houses of brick or stone costing less than three thousand dollars per suite of apartments, exclusive in each case of the cost of the land, shall be erected or placed upon said premises.

Voted, that, Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land and flats belonged to William F. Tufts, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said William F. Tufts the sum of Eleven thousand dollars upon his proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, except the warranty, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that, Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Barnard Capen, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Barnard Capen the sum of one hundred and seventy-eight & $^{00}/_{100}$ dollars upon his proving title thereto; and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all dam-

ages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Mr. Augustus Russ came before the Board representing the estate of David M. Weston, and offered to take Twenty thousand dollars damages for the land and wharf property taken for the parkway South Boston provided the estate is relieved from the payment of Park betterments, and it was

Voted, that, Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land and flats belonged to the Heirs or devisees of David M. Weston, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Mary J. Weston, George H. Weston and Herbert M. Weston, the sum of twenty thousand dollars upon their proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Mr. Thos. Burnham came before the Board to inquire if any progress had been made in the plans of the Board for the extension of the parkway through his property. He also offered to settle for the parcel of flats already taken from him for fifteen thousand dollars. He claimed that the flats had been partially

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Mr. Charles A. Morss came before the Board to try and effect a settlement for his land taken for the Parkway, Muddy River, and renewed his offer made some time ago to take what the land cost him including interest and taxes less five hundred dollars for betterments. The offer was taken under consideration.

Mr. John Briggs stated that it was not quite clear to him what his position was under the settlement made at the last meeting of the Board in regard to the building of a retaining wall on the park line where cutting down was required on his land, and that he had not expected to be called upon to build a wall when he made the settlement. It was thereupon agreed that he might in his deed give the City the right to construct a wall on his land and make the release of grade damages contingent upon the building of said wall, and it was

Voted, that, Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof two certain parcels of land belonged to John Briggs, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said John Briggs the sum of five thousand dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, excepting that the clause releasing grade damages shall contain an agreement that the City may construct a retaining wall upon his remaining land of not less than three feet in height to support the bank on the line of said park when cutting down is required for grading said park; and

shall provide that he shall not make or have any claim or demand against said City for grade damages except in case of the omission by said City to build a retaining wall as aforesaid, also upon his giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Muddy River Improvement.

Mr. Howe made a statement of the cost of work done under the vote of the Board of Feby. 17. 1890.

Voted that expenditures to date be approved and work be suspended on Wood Island Park except putting in tile drain at an expense of $500.

Voted, that the further sum of four thousand dollars be expended in 1890 for carrying on work on School Master Hill.

Voted, that expenditures on the Ride in Franklin Park to the amount of forty five hundred dollars be approved.

Voted, that the expenditure of sixty five hundred dollars to date in the Arnold Arboretum be approved.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to repair the Beacon Entrance Bridge flooring.

Rescinded see page 184.

Voted, that there be purchased of the Boston Water Power Company for the purpose of a public park, four certain parcels of land containing respectively twenty two hundred and fifty six square feet, ten hundred and sixty two square feet, ten thousand nine hundred and twenty eight square feet, and three and one half square feet, more or less, and being shown on a plan made by Wm. Jackson, City Engineer dated March 14. 1890. and filed in the office of this Board; and that there be paid to

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the said Boston Water Power Company the sum of twenty one thousand three hundred and seventy four $\frac{25}{100}$ dollars, upon its giving a deed for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor containing the limitation for said purposes and all the covenants, agreements, restrictions & conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed excepting the restrictions relating to wooden houses, and that in clause three of restrictions the reserved space of twenty-five feet shall read twenty feet: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.,

Mr. Joseph Stone submitted a plan of Marsh land and flats containing about twenty six acres adjoining the old Charlestown Almshouse at the Everett end of Malden Bridge which he said could be obtained for park purposes at about ten cents per foot. Mr. Stone left the plan for consideration by the Board and it was placed on file.

A communication was received from the Landscape Architects in regard to the intentions of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to increase its track room along the parkway, Muddy River, and the desirability of preventing the intention from being carried out if practicable, which was read and placed on file.

John L. Burton an applicant for position on the Park Police was examined.

The following was received.

"To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners of Boston.

"Thomas L. Livermore, Chairman. Isaac Sharp, Francis A. "Walker. Dear Sirs: Thoroughly believing that "you are in the interest of the tax payers of Boston as "to obtaining the greatest income from lands belonging "to Franklin Park which are let for pasturage. Allow "me to make you this offer in regard to such lands.

" I will give $1000.00 a year for the use and privileges
" of house, barns, premises and pasture for 18 cows now
" used and enjoyed by Patrick Mc. Morrow on Forest Hills
" Street. The same belonging to the City of Boston and
" under the supervision of the Park Commissioners. This
" offer is on condition that I can obtain the use of the
" premises on the first day of November 1890.
" Awaiting your acceptance I remain yours respectfully
" Artemas Winchester. Centre st. J. Plain."

After consideration and on statements of Mr. Olmsted and Mr. Stowe it was

Voted, that the offer of Mr. Winchester be declined.

The following were received read and placed on file:

" Civil Service Commission, Oct. 7. 1890.
" To the Board of Park Commissioners, 8 Milk St. Boston.
" Dear Sirs: Referring to your letters of September 27
" and October 3. I am instructed to say that the
" Commissioners see no objection, under the Civil Service
" rules, to the appointment of Philip H. Brady as
" a member of the police force of the Park Department.
" Should he be appointed a park police officer, please
" notify us of the date of his appointment and the salary
" which he is to receive, and oblige, Respectfully,
" Warren P. Dudley Secretary."

" City Engineer, Boston October 8. 1890.
" Col. Thomas L. Livermore, Chirman Board of Park
" Commissioners. Dear Sir, The amount of filling
" done at Marine Park under the license of the Harbor
" and Land Commissioners to the Park Department
" dated June 26. 1890. and numbered 1271, to
" and including September 24. 1890 is 37.281
" cubic yards. The material was excavated
" from the proposed Pleasure Bay at Marine
" Park and from the flats of George Lawley and
" the Walworth Manufacturing Co.
Respectfully Yours. William Jackson, City Engineer."

" To the Honorable Chairman of the Board of
" Park Commissioners: Referring to the petition

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"I presended to you on Mon. last (Oct. 6th.) requesting "compensation for damages to my estate in Longwood "by the Park driveway, "I beg to add, further, the "judgement of Mr. Wills Chairman of the Board of "Assessors who says" if the attention of the Assessors "had been called to it, before the expiration of time "in which to make their returns made a large "reduction on the valuation of house and land", believing a deep cut in the rear will seriously damage "the same:" he also on his own responcibility, allows $500. "on the land and reduction on the tax bill.

"Very respectfully, "Bartlett Patten

"Boston Oct. 8. "90." "2 Autumn street."

The following was received and the application declined

"Cambridge 3 Oct. 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

"Gentlemen: Will you allow the Cambridge Athletic "Association to hold an athletic exhibition at the "Charlesbank Gymnasium on Saturday 15 November "at 10.30 A.M. Very respectfully yours George Noble. "21 Concord Av. Cambridge. Secy. C. A. A."

A drawing by lot for members of the Park police for permanent or auxiliary appointment from list No. 1 of candidates approved was held and numbers drawn as shown by the list on file.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, October 13. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 11.30 A.M.

Present messrs Fenno and Walker, Mr. Livermore being absent from the city. Mr. Fenno acted as chairman and in the absence of the Secretary, Charles C. Lawrence was chosen Secretary pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Walker it was

Voted, that the Engineer in charge be instructed to transfer the laborers employed at Wood Island Park to the work of levelling the mounds on

Commonwealth Avenue.

Voted, that the stone wall at the Arnold Arboretum be laid, and the gravel pits graded and that Prof. Sargent be notified of the Board's action.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston October 20. 1890.

The following bids were received in accordance with the advertisements and were opened by Commissioner Fenno in the presence of Mr. Sherburne from the Mayor's office and the bidders.

The Parkway, Section C.

Edw. F. Brigham				Michael Kiernan.			
A.	2500	.29	725.	A.	2500	.30	750.
B.	7400	.39	2886.	B.	7400	.57	4218.
C.	14100	.49	6909	C.	14100	.57	8037.
E.	4500	.37½	1687.50	E.	4500	.38	1710.
			$ 12207.50				$ 14.715

James Killian				Aaron A. Hall.			
A.	2500	.40	1000.	A.	2500	.30	750.
B.	7400	.50	3700.	B.	7400	.50	3.700.
C.	14100	.55	7755.	C.	14100	.50	7.050.
E.	4500	.32	1440.	E.	4500	.49	2.205
			$ 13.895				$ 13.705

Women's Lavatory Building at Charlesbank.

W. H. Keyes & Co.	$ 7.357.
John French.	6.779

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, October 23. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Messrs Kenno and Hasker Mr. Sweetser being absent from the city. Also present Messrs E.W. Howe and J.C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Alderman Gove asked if the Board would reconsider its action in taking the laborers from Wood Island Park, and if not whether they would all be put to work elsewhere. The Commissioners assured him that they had already been transfered to the work of leveling the mounds on Commonwealth Avenue.

Mr. John M. Field applied in person for the position of Care taker at the Marine Park Pier. He was accompanied by Mr. A. F. Lawton by way of recommendation, and referred the Board to his application on file for a position on the Park Police. His application was taken under consideration.

Mr. John Leukhardt came before the Board in the matter of his damages for land taken from him for the Parkway Muddy River. He said that he wanted $5.000. Mr. Leukhardt was asked by the Board to consider the question further as his figure was so much above the Board's that it appeared useless to try to compromise the matter.

Mr. Albert E. Leach representing the Heirs of A. F. Dillaway stated that their property taken for the Parkway South Boston was leased for a long term of years at an annual rental of eight hundred dollars per annum. He said that they would want in damages an amount which would yield as large an income. The buildings belong to the tenants and he would like the Board to consider a settlement subject to the leases.

Mr. John French came before the Board and presented the names of Job F. Bailey and Albert Draper as Mr Silas Nelson for bondsmen in case the

Board awarded the contract for the Womens Lavatory Building to him, and it was

Voted, that the contract for building a Womens Lavatory Building at Charlestown be awarded to John French for the sum of sixty seven hundred and seventy nine dollars and that the amount of bond required under said contract be fixed at three thousand dollars.

The Board agreed to take Mr. Bailey and either of the other names offered for bondsmen.

It was also agreed that April 1st be set as the time for the completion of the building.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Edward F. Brigham, the lowest bidder for section C. of the Parkway, had sent in the names of Solomon Sanborn, Albert A. Libby, J. Austin Rogers, William Woolley and R. B. Brigham to select from as bondsmen under the contract. It was thereupon

Voted, that the contract for grading Section C. of the Parkway be awarded to Edward F. Brigham for the sum of twelve thousand two hundred and seven $^{50}/_{100}$ dollars, and the amount of the bond required under said contract be four thousand dollars.

The Board agreed to accept Mr. Sanborn and any of the other names for bondsmen.

After a statement by Mr. Partelow it was

Voted, that C. M. Partelow's rent for boating privileges at Charlestown be remitted for the balance of his year or until April 1st and that payments next season be at the rate of fifty dollars per month for six months, the first payment being due May 1st and the last October 1st.

The request of Philip Ronca that the Board remit one hundred dollars of the rent to be paid by him for the Refectory at Marine Park was refused. The following communication was

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received; "Boston October 17. 1890

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

"Gentlemen, Mr Frederick A. Rindge instructs me to say, concerning his estate at the corner of "Prince and Perkins Street Jamaica Plain, that "while he is quite willing that the land should be "taken for Park purposes, and at a just and fair "price, he is constrained by such information as he "has obtained to believe that the present assessed value "is not such a price. Inasmuch however as he "knows that the opinion of the owner in such cases "is not infallible, he is willing that the value should "be fixed by impartial qualified persons such as no "doubt we could agree upon. Would such arbitration "be acceptable to your board? Very respectfully yours

Francis J. Parker."

Mr. Francis J. Parker also came before the Board by request to confer in regard to the matter.

The Commissioners stated that they had no authority to settle such cases by arbitration. The owner and Commissioners failing to agree the law provided the ascertainment of damages by jury trial in cases of taking. The Commissioners proposed to make the offer $20,000. if that would be agreeable to Mr. Rindge. Mr. Parker asked if the Commissioners would also allow him to take the buildings, and without absolute agreement the Commissioners thought such a proposition would be favorably considered.

Mr. Howe presented a sketch of the junction of the park driveway with Blue Hill Avenue showing position of catch basin and explained the necessity of a connection with the Sewer in Columbia Street, and it was

Voted, that a petition be sent to the Board of Aldermen for the extension ~~of the extension~~ of the Sewer in Columbia Street to Blue Hill Avenue.

Mr. Howe stated that he had conferred with Wm. C. Brown in regard to his application for

leave to establish a boat service at Marine Park Pier, and it had been decided to let the matter stand until later in the season before determining what could be done.

The following being received.

"Box 184 Wollaston Heights, Mass.
October 20. 1890.

"Geo. F. Clark Secretary Park Commissioners
"Boston, Mass. Dear Sir: I should like to
"have the permit the Commissioners granted me
"a year ago continued to October 1891. Said per-
"mit was that D. W. Hall is granted the right
"to pursue his old right of way over the park
"lands adjacent to the Arnold Arboretum from
"his land to Goldsmith Street. Hoping that
"the matter will receive your earliest attention
"I remain yours respectfully D. W. Hall." it was
Voted, that the permission granted to D. W.
Hall to pursue his old right of way over park lands adjacent to the Arnold Arboretum be extended to October 1. 1891.

The following was received read and placed on file with the statements referred to:

"Boston Oct. 13. 1890.

"Board of Park Commissioners
"Geo. F. Clark Secy. Sir: In compliance
"with your request I have forwarded inclosed
"statements to the Harbor & Land Commissioners
"of amount of work done on Marine Park Pier
"Lic. No. 1108 and on Marine Park Pier Head
"Lic. No. 1133 up to May 1. 1890.
"Yours truly William Jackson City Engineer."

The following was received read & placed on file.

"City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen.
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"Ordered:- That for the purpose of enabling the
"City of Boston to procure and construct one or
"more public parks in the Charlestown District,

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"paid City, and to raise money to pay for the same,
"the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to
"issue, from time to time as the Mayor may request,
"registered certificates of indebtedness of the City for
"the aggregate sum of two hundred thousand dollars:
"such certificates to be made payable at the office of
"said Treasurer on the first day of October, A.D. 1900, with
"interest at the rate of four per cent per annum, payable
"semi-annually on the first day of April and October
"in each year, and to be dated and interest to com-
"mence on the day when they are delivered and the
"money received.

"Ordered: That the City Treasurer shall sell such
"certificates of indebtedness and retain the proceeds
"thereof in the City Treasury, and pay therefrom from
"time to time the expenses incurred for the purpose
"aforesaid, upon the orders of the Park Commissioners
"approved by the Mayor, to an amount not exceeding
"two hundred thousand dollars: and that any prem-
"iums received by him in the sale of such certificates
"of indebtedness shall be paid by him to the Board of
"Commissioners of Sinking Funds of said City, which Board
"shall place the same into the Sinking Fund for
"the payment of the debt.

"Passed. Yeas 11. nays none. Sent down for Concurrence.
"October 9. Came up Concurred. Yeas 58. Nays 3
"Approved by the Mayor, October 13. 1890.
"A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest Asst. City Clk.

The following was received, read and request declined.

"Boston, Oct. 16. 1890

"Board of Park Commissioners. Sirs: At the request
"of Mr. Philip Ronca I write to request that your Hon-
"orable board to remit one hundred dollars of the rent
"paid by him for the use of the building situated
"at the Marine Park Pier, South Boston. That is to
"say that his total rent for the past season be
"five hundred dollars instead of six hundred dollars.
"He tells me that the agreement with your board

" was that if business was good he was to pay $600.
" rent. He says that business was not good. Also that
" his platform in front of building was ripped up while
" a sewer was being laid, thus hurting his trade for
" the time, also that the grading and other work going
" on in the vicinity tended to less his trade. He hopes
" that your board will act favorably on this request.

" Philip Ronca by John J. Collins."

Voted, that Park Police Officer George H. Smith be transferred from the rolls as Caretaker at the Marine Park Pier to the Park Police roll, also that he be put in uniform and paid the salary attaching to that position from and after this date.

Voted, that the Secretary make a requisition upon the Civil Service Commissioners for the Certification of the name of Jas. L. Hutchinson for the position of Park Police Officer in this Department

The following was received and a note made see letter book Vol. 3. page 977.

" 21st October, 1890.

" Mr. George F. Clarke, Secretary of the
" Park Commission, 87, Kilby St. Boston Mass.

" Dear Sir:- We enclose a diagram showing the
" proposed Harbor Commissioners' line around
" Castle Island. We understand that the Park
" Commissioners will forward this to Col. Mansfield
" of the United States Engineers, as representing
" their views as to the line that will be desirable.

" Attention should be called in that letter to
" the desirability of some such line as that shown
" to the eastward of the wharf at the north end
" of the Island, in order to provide for extensions of
" the wharf which may be desirable in the future
" as a landing place for passenger steamers from
" the city.

" Col. Mansfield has seen the plan and had
" only one remark to make upon it, which was
" that the line could be simplified by the omission

Oct. 23. 1890. "of the angle between words "proposed" and "harbor". He said it was not necessary to re-draw "the plan on that account, as the engineers would "attend to it in the final plan.

Yours truly, F. L. & J. C. Olmsted."

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston Oct. 30. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present messrs Ferno and Walker. Mr. Livermore being absent from the city, also present messrs E. W. Howe J. C. Olmsted, and C. Howard Walker.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mrs. Daniel F. Kelley came before the Board to make application for the position of Matron at the Womens Lavatory Building, Charlesbank and presented a letter of recommendation from Alderman Wesley A. Gove. Mrs. Kelley was informed that her application would be placed on file to be considered when the building was completed.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Williams had agreed to settle the claim of Eliza Mc. Keon for eleven thousand six hundred dollars without interest or the payment of rent by Mrs. Mc. Keon since the date of taking.

The Secretary said that the interest would now amount to about $330. Mr. Williams offer being $270. in excess of the interest, and it was

Voted, that, Whereas by an Act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Eliza Mc. Keon, as appears by said Act, there be awarded and

paid to the said Eliza Mc. Keon the sum of eleven thousand six hundred dollars upon her giving title thereto and giving a deed for the same also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

The following being received.

"Commonwealth of Massachusetts

"Civil Service Commission Boston Oct. 27, 90.

"To George F. Clark, Esq. Secy. Park Commissioners.

"In compliance with your requisition, dated "October 23, 1890, and received to day, I hereby "certify to you William L. Wallingford of 322½ "Bernard Street, Boston Mass. an honorably "discharged veteran of the war of the rebellion, "for appointment as park policeman in the "Park Department, he having complied with "all the requirements of the law.

"Please make return of his appointment on the "inclosed blank. Yours respectfully,

Warren P. Dudley, Secretary."

it was

Voted, that William L. Wallingford be appointed a park police officer, and that the Chairman notify the Civil Service Commissioners of said appointment, said Wallingford to go on duty and receive pay from November 3, 1890.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge be authorized to sell one of the horses furnished him by the Department and to purchase another.

The Secretary stated that Mr. James Kelley had apply to the Board to use its influence to compel a pub foreman on Franklin Park to pay an over-

Oct. 30. 1890. due rent bill and the Secretary was directed to pay to Mr. Kelley that the Commissioners cannot collect private accounts from its employés.

The following being received.

"Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad.

"Boston, October 24. 1890.

"Park Commissioners, #87 Milk St. Boston, Mass.

"Gentlemen:— To day as the eleven o'clock train from "Boston was passing under Wood Island park bridge "several boys twelve to fourteen years of age threw a "quantity of stone on the bridge striking the "tops of the cars. Fortunately no damage was "done Very Respectfully. C. A. Hammond, Supt."

it was

Voted, that the Secretary obtain the opinion of the Corporation Counsel as to whether this Board is under any obligation to protect the railroad property, and how far it is the duty of the Board to protect travellers on the railroad, it seeming to be in the view of the Board, its duty, in policing the parks, to afford safety and protection to the public who visit the parks and not to those who may be passing by.

Voted, that the Barn at the Franklin Park Headquarters, the small house on Walnut Street, and the Clifford barn on Muddy River be sold at public auction.

The Secretary was directed to reply to a letter from Lewis Johnson a Commissioner of Audubon Park in New Orleans to His Honor the Mayor and referred by him to this Department, asking for information as to the method of securing funds for the improvement and maintenance of public parks of this City.

The following was received and referred to the Chairman pro tem. "October 25. 1890.

"George E. Clark, Esq. Secretary. My Dear Sir.— As I "read yours of 24th inst. it is not quite definite "enough for my purpose. Please inform me whether

"I am to take it as settled that Mr. Edwards will be
"disturbed in the occupancy of his stable during the
"winter, unless he will consent to pay rent for it; and
"if so, precisely what you expect him to pay, and
"oblige Very truly yours A. B. Pillsbury.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston November 7, 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.
Present messrs Fenno and Walker, Mr. Livermore being absent from the City, Also present messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.
The record of the last meeting was read & approved.
Mr. A. H. French came before the Board for the Brookline Park Commissioners to ask the co-operation of this Board in the preparation of plans for the Culverts or bridges required on the Parkway, Muddy River, and it was

Voted, that the Landscape Architects and City Engineer, in connection with Mr. French acting for the Brookline Park Commissioners, be requested to prepare plans and estimates for the Culverts or bridges required on the Parkway, Muddy River, to be submitted to the two Boards for approval.

The plans for the Fen Bridge Back Bay Fens, and form of contract and specifications for building the same were approved and the City Engineer was authorized to advertise for proposals to be received November 21 at 2. P. M.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to employ two assistants in the Engineering force, one at three dollars and one at two dollars per day.

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Voted, that the Engineer in charge be authorized to close the Park Shelters November 13th.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge be authorized to grade the remainder of Glen Lane and adjacent grounds.

Mr. Olmsted presented a plan for changing the direction of a walk adjoining the drive at the Arnold Arboretum now under contract, the change of plan having been accepted by the Contractor in lieu of raising a tree required under his contract and at no additional expense. It was thereupon

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to order the alteration of the work to be made according to the plan drawn by the Landscape Architects and presented this day, and that the City Engineer draw up the necessary papers.

Mr. Olmsted presented a preliminary plan for a play ground in the South Bay in connection with the Parkway to Marine Park which he proposed to submit to the owners of the land in the South Bay for their criticism before recommending a final plan. The course proposed by Mr. Olmsted was approved.

Mr. W. F. Tufts came before the Board to request that he be permitted to take the rents due from the tenants on the land taken from him to November 1st. in lieu of interest which he claimed should be allowed from the time of his settlement with the Board to the time of payment about four months. He said the interest would amount to about $240. and the rents about $160. It was thereupon

Voted, that in consideration of the delay in paying for the land of Mr. W. F. Tufts he be allowed in lieu of interest to collect rents from the tenants on said land due to November 1st and not paid.

The following was received:

Boston November 6. 1890.

To the Park Commissioners. Sirs: In building a block of houses on Commonwealth Avenue, corner of Charlesgate West it is necessary to excavate in the side walk of Charlesgate West in order to put in the foundations. I therefore request permission to make such an excavation not exceeding eight feet in width and I will agree to protect the walk in such manner as may be required by your Board and restore it to its present condition. Respectfully, J. A. Thompson, 23 Court Street, and it was

Voted, That a permit be granted to J. A. Thompson to excavate eight feet of the sidewalk of Charlesgate West at the corner of Commonwealth Avenue for the purpose of putting in the foundations of a house provided that he will support the rest of the sidewalk by a bulkhead and restore it to its present condition and will agree to maintain barriers and keep lanterns upon them at night also to indemnify and save harmless the City from all suits or actions of every name and description brought against said City for or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person or persons by or from him his servants or agents, in doing said work, or by or in consequence of any negligence in guarding the same, or by or in consequence of any act or omission of him or his agents.

The following was received

"Street Department, City Hall, Boston Nov. 1st 90.

"To the Park Commissioners. Gentlemen, I am "about to pave Boylston street between Charles "and Arlington Streets and as the nearest place "to receive the material would be the Beacon "Street Wall, I would respectfully request that "I may be allowed to do the same by a permit from

Nov. 7. 1890.

" you, Very truly yours J. Edwin Jones, Capt. of Streets"
and the Secretary was directed to reply that so
far as this Board has authority to authorize it,
permission is granted subject to the approval of
the Engineer in charge as to the amount of
material to be placed or loaded upon the wall,
and subject to the approval of those who have
rights of way in said Charlesgate.

The following was received: Mr. Shaw stating
the conditions of Mr. Traverse's occupancy and
that he is now four months rent in arrears.:

"Boston Nov. 7. 1890.

"To the Hon. Board of Park Commissioners of Boston
"Gentlemen: I find that it necessary to have a
"Stable on the work of Section D. Muddy River
"Improvement and I would like to hire the Stable
"on the Section if you could let me have it. I
"will pay rent what the Board thinks it is worth,
"by so doing you will greatly oblige

"Yours truly H. P. Shaw". & it was

Voted, that James Traverse be notified to vacate
immediately the premises on Tremont Street occu-
pied by him.

The Secretary stated that Mrs. S. A. Page sister of
E. K. Page had made application for the amount
of pay due him at the time of his death to be applied
to the payment of the funeral expenses, and the
Secretary was directed to advise his widow of the
application and to say that if she has no objection
on the part of herself and children the Commissioners
will see that the money is so applied.

The following was received with two inclosures
and action thereon postponed until the next meeting:

"Boston November 4. 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.
"Gentlemen. After my interview with you some ten
"days since, I reported the situation of affairs to
"Mr. Pindyo with the result that on his behalf I

"requested Hon. J. K. C. Hyde to give us his opinion
"as to the value of the property. This I did in writing
"and herewith I enclose a copy of my letter to him
"marked A. After some days Mr. Hyde called
"on me and stated that he too found the question a
"difficult one and asked to have Mr. L. Foster Morse
"joined with him, to which I consented. Herewith
"I hand you a copy of their opinion in a letter
"marked B. Except the one occasion above referred
"to I have had no conversation with Mr. Hyde, and I
"then carefully limited myself to assenting to his
"request, and said nothing more. I have no ac-
"quaintance whatever with Mr. Morse.

"Very respectfully yours Francis J. Parker."

The following was received read and placed on file.

"City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.

"To the Heads of Departments. Gentlemen:- Your
"attention is hereby called to Stat. 1890, chap. 423.
"sec. 143. You are hereby authorized to give two hours
"leave of absence, without loss of pay, on November 4 and
"December 9. p.m., to persons in the service of the City
"applying for such leave of absence, in order that they
"may vote at the ensuing State and City elections.
"Oct. 30. 90. Respectfully Thomas N. Hart. Mayor."

The following was received read and placed on file.

"Needham November 11. 90

"Isaac Fenno, Esq. Thos. J. Simmon Esq.
"Francis A. Walker Esq. Park Commissioners
"85 Mich St. Boston, Mass. Gentlemen: As one
"of the heirs of the John K. Foster Trust Estate of
"which the estate numbered 85 Bellevue Street
"(formerly Maple Avenue) is a part. I protest and
"object to your taking possession of the marsh
"land in the rear of said estate, which I claim
"is still a part of this trust estate as shown on
"plan and to my knowledge no value has been
"received by the former and late trustees David
"W. Foster and James Tyman. Very Respectfully

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"John H. Foster, Needham, mass."

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, November 17. 1890

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Livermore, Fenno and Walker, also present messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Mr. Thomas Hills came before the Board, by invitation, to confer in regard to values of property taken at South Boston and Muddy River.

Mr. J. B. Patten and Mr. Bryant came before the Board in regard to the question of damages to Dr. Pattens estate.

Mr. J. S. Dean, representing Ella M. Mc. Elroy, came to ask for a settlement of her damages by the South Boston taking. Mr. Dean said that some time ago the South Boston Iron Co. had valued the property at $8.000. and that Mrs. Mc Elroy had been offered $10.000 and had declined to sell. The estate paid her $1.000 income.

After some discussion the Commissioners offered her twenty cents per foot for the land and two cents per foot for the flats taken, plus 15% on both, and twenty five hundred dollars or whatever other sum may be shown to be its value, for the building.

Mr. Eben Sears having a contingent interest in the land taken from John R. Hall and Francis H. Carr came to effect a settlement if possible of their claims for damages. The Commissioners offered ten cents per foot which Mr. Sears said could not be accepted.

Mr. G. H. Wheeler representing Patrick Maney and Rosina Leukhardt called to see what terms the

commissioners would make to settle their claims. The Commissioners offered Mr. Maney $1,600 and Mrs. Leukhardt twenty cents pr. foot and whatever further sum it would cost her to fill her low land to a level with the parkway.

The following was received.

"85 Devonshire St. Boston October 27.

"Dear Livermore, Allow me to voice the earnest "desire of Roxbury boys to play foot ball on the "Playstead at Franklin Park. They say it would "not tear up the grass so much as base-ball does "and that movable and adjustable goals are as "easily arranged as bases. I suppose you have "coneidered the matter and have satisfactory "reasons for not allowing the game there, but if "your decision is not irrevocable I hope it will "be reconsidered. The boys say the ground at "the other end of the Park is too rough & sidling "for a decent game, and the playstead stands "empty in the fall. Yours very truly,

"Col. T. L. Livermore. H. W. Putnam."

And the Secretary was directed to reply that the Playstead having been restricted to the use of boys of the grammar school age the Board does not see its way clear to change the rule at this time.

The following was received

"South Boston, Nov. 11. 1890.

"Dear Mr. Blake, In regard to collecting "my fee from the city for appraising &c. I do not "wish to hurry the matter unduly, but I have an "opportunity, the latter part of this month, to pay "that amount on a mortgage which I cannot do "again for six months. I would like moreover to "have it come into my books as this year's business. "I having begun work last May. So if the Commis-"sioners think it proper to pay me and trust to me "to complete what little there is to be done, or if "they will indicate what more they desire of me

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"& I can do it at once, I should be very glad.
"However I do not wish to be unreasonable or impa-
"tient and whatever they think best will be perfectly
"satisfactory to yours very truly Henry J. Bowen."

and it was

Voted, that there be allowed and paid to Henry J. Bowen the sum of five hundred dollars on account of services in the appraisal of South Boston lands and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay Mary Coy, widow of Patrick Coy, deceased, the amount due him on the pay rolls of this Department.

A communication was received from Mrs. E. K. Page objecting to the payment of the money due her late husband to Mrs. E. A. Page for funeral expenses, and the Secretary was directed to notify her that the Board would be obliged to wait to see if administration papers were taken out in the case otherwise the money would probably go to the children.

The following was received and action thereon postponed until Mr. Olmsted's return

"Boston, November 7th 1890.

"To the Honorable The Board of Park Commissioners-

"The undersigned respectfully request that a part
"of Commonwealth Avenue running from Charles Gate
"East, be widened from twenty to thirty feet.
"Edward A. Knight, John Nelson, James N. Thompson."

The following was received:

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.
"Dear Sirs- I wish to make application for per-
"mission to enter the reserved portions of the Boston
"parks for the purpose of taking photographs. I shall
"of course be most careful and injure in no way
"grass, trees or shrubbery. Respectfully yours, Lilian Hayden.
"451 Beacon St. Boston, 15 November, 1891."

and the Secretary was directed to issue a permit as desired limited to one year.

The following was received and the request refused.

"Brookline November 14. 90.

"To the Park Commissioners, Dear Sirs: The house "No. 57 Downer St. is now in the hands of the Contractor. "Please let me know if you are willing that I should "have the stone and brick of said building. Address "Mrs. John McGettrick, Walnut Street, Brookline."

The following were received read & placed on file.

"Street Department Boston November 10, 1890.

"George F. Clarke Esq. Secretary Park Department Boston, "Mass. Dear Sir:- It is the intention of this depart- "ment to grade Parker Street at Huntington Avenue, "opposite the recently finished parkway as soon "as the work upon the Sewer in Huntington Avenue "will permit us to do so. Respectfully yours,

"J. Edwin Jones. Jr. Superintendent of Streets."

"Boston, November 8. 1890.

"To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners, "Boston, Mass. Gentlemen:- In consideration of "the privilege granted to me by you of excavating "the sidewalk of Charlesgate West, I agree to main- "tain barriers and keep lanterns upon them at night, "also to indemnify and save harmless the City from "all suits or action of every name and description, "brought against said City for or on account of any "injuries or damages received or sustained by any "person or persons, by or from me, my servants or "agents, in doing said work, or by or in consequence "of any negligence in guarding the same or by or "in consequence of any act or omission of me or "my agents. J. N. Thompson (Seal.)"

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, November 21. 1890

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore, Sohier & Walker, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe & J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following bids were received for Stone Bridge and were opened in the presence of the bidders and Mr Sherburne from the Executive Department.

Wm. H. Ward. . .	$ 20. 490.
Thomas A. Rowe.	21. 794.
Aaron A. Ball.	22. 643.
John Cavanagh & Co.	24. 500.
Moulton O'Mahoney & Trumbull	27. 839.

And it was

Voted, that the contract be awarded to William H. Ward and that the amount of bond required be fixed at six thousand dollars.

Mr. L. W. Peters came before the Board representing the Mc. Mahon estate on Downer Street to ask if their offer of $ 2300 was final and if it compared favorably with offers made for neighboring estates.

The Commissioners assured Mr. Peters that such was the case and gave him the information desired. The Secretary stated that Mr. Wm. H. Lincoln had informed him that Mess. Sewall Day & Co. Fred. Ayer and he intended to make a contract with the Boston and Albany Railroad to fill their lands adjoining the park and desired to know if the Commissioners would allow the railroad company to fill at the same time it was doing the filling for the city the cars to be counted in order to ascertain the amount of material each party should pay for, or if the City would suspend its filling for about six weeks during the time necessary to fill said lands.

It was thereupon

Voted, that the Boston and Albany Railroad Company may suspend work under its contract with the

city after the Fremont Entrance is filled for such time as may be necessary to fill lands of William N. Lincoln, and others adjacent to said Entrance, any additional expense on account of conveyance to be paid by said parties.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge be authorized to build two culverts at the Arnold Arboretum in connection with the grading now being done by contract.

The Secretary was directed to reply to the letter of Francis J. Parker, of November 4th that the Board is not satisfied that it should pay a larger price than that offered, but that the Board would provide the bars, rows and stable in addition to the sum named if Mr. Lindyr should decide to remove them.

The Secretary stated that the representative of the Fredk. Ayer estate asked if the Board would accept the lands for the street on the easterly side of the Fremont Entrance and build the road irrespective of what the owners will do on the westerly side.

The Secretary was directed to inform him that the Board did not wish to consider such a proposition at the present time.

The following was received.

"Lamps Department, Nov. 21. 1890.

"To the Park Commissioners. Gentlemen, Will you "please give me permit to locate an Arc Light for "Electric Light on side walk opposite the westerly "end of Newbury Street for the purpose of lighting "the public Street and parkway at the same time.

"Yours Respectfully Geo. H. Allen Sup. of Lamps.

"Please give early answer as season is getting late."

and it was

Voted, that a permit be given to the Superintendent of Lamps for the placing of an Electric Light post at the corner of Newbury Street and Charlesgate East; provided that the post for an electric light on the easterly side of Charlesgate West be shifted to the westerly side of Charlesgate West at its junction with Commonwealth Avenue, the

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location of said posts to be approved by the Engineer in charge.

A communication was received from James I. Brooks in regard to his right to remove the foundation stones with the buildings, also letters from the Inspection of Buildings Department and the Sun Fire office in relation thereto, and the Sergeant of Police was directed to permit the removal of the stone.

The following were received and referred to the Chairman for reply:

"City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.

"The Honorable the Board of Park Commissioners.

"85, Mick Street, Boston, Gentlemen:— I enclose "herewith a communication, received to day, from "Artemus Winchester. He says that the premises for "which he had offered a rental of $1,000. per year, "are now rented to Patrick Mc. Morrow for only $12. "per month. Will you please give me the facts in "the case? Respectfully, Thomas N. Hart.

"November 20. 1890. Mayor."

"Honorable Thomas N. Hart, Mayor of Boston,

"Dear Sir. Enclosed please find a copy of an offer "made to the Park Commissioners of Boston, in regard "to renting lands in Franklin Park which are let "for pasturage &c. Youn respectfully

"Oct. 8th 1890. Artemas Winchester."

The following was received, read & placed on file.

"Boston, November 19, 1890.

"To Park Commissioners: On the prosecution of "the work on the Park in the rear of Bellevue Street "against the objection of Rosena Leuhhart, the "City employee are throwing dirt upon her land, "and have placed quite a large amount already "on her land. We ask the words removed at once "and that the further doings in this respect be stopped.

"If not removed and stopped, we shall hold "the City responsible for any damage and loss thereby "caused. Will you kindly attend to this matter

"so as to avoid any further trouble,
Yours &c. G. A. A. Tivey, Atty. for Rovena Leichhart."

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, November 28. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M.

Present mess. Livermore, Perry, and Walker, also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson & Howe,

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mess. Braman & Richardson Trustees of the Boston Water Power Lands came before the Board to ask if the Commissioners will make an indenture with the Boston Water Power Company agreeing on the part of the City to construct and maintain within and along the Boundary line of the Back Bay Fens a roadway and walk to which the Boston Water Power Company its successors and assigns shall have free access, with the right to use the same for the purposes of a way, subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as may from time to time be made by the Park Commissioners or by any other Board or Department having for the time being the control and management of said park, provided that the said company on its part will agree to restrict its lands abutting upon said park in the manner set forth in the restrictions adopted for said park and contained in the deed from the Boston Water Power Company lands adjoining the Longwood Entrance, so called which deed was presented with the request that the restrictions be made to apply to the remainder only of the parcels deeded.

The Commissioners asked mess. Braman and Richardson to confer with the Corporation Counsel as to

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the power of the Board to make such an agreement and, if his opinion is satisfactory to them, to have such an instrument prepared by the City Solicitor.

The Commissioners also approved the change in the deed from the Trustees limiting the restrictions to the remainder of the parcels deeded

Mr. Eben Low came before the Board in the matter of damages for the taking of lands of J. R. Hall and Francis W. Carr, and presented a plan for cutting up the estate showing about 27,000 square feet in front lots which he claimed were worth fifty cents per foot and that some conditional sales were made in 1880 at that price, and about 41,000 square feet of rear lots which he thought could be sold for 30 cts. The whole footing up $20,800. The Commissioners thereupon made an offer of $12,000 with no betterments on the rest of the estate which was to be restricted in the manner pertaining to the Parkway frontages.

Mr. A. W. Gales-Fairbanks, Counsel for Mrs. Mary E. Palmer, came before the Board in her behalf to discuss the question of damages for the taking of her property. It was subsequently agreed to offer Mrs. Palmer $13,128.17 in settlement of damages with the usual agreements as to betterments and restrictions.

Mr. I. P. Clarke came before the Board and the Commissioners offered him $800. in damages for land taken with no betterments, subject to the restrictions, and agreement as to building a wall similar to those contained in the deed from John Briggs to the City.

Mr. Pierce H. Spence came before the Board and was offered fifty dollars for land taken, no betterments to be assessed, and the balance of the estate to be restricted in the usual form.

Mr. William Finneran came to ask the Board to increase the offer made to him which the Board declined to do as he had agreed to accept the former offer.

James Traverse came before the Board to ask further time in which to move his things from the building on Tremont Street. The Commissioners agreed that if he would pay the rent due to December 1st they would give him till January 1st in which to find a new place and vacate the premises.

Mr. Wm. H. Ward appeared and offered the names of J. H. Sawyer of Newton and E. D. Fletcher of Lowell as sureties which were approved.

Aldermen B. F. Stacey presented some suggestions to the Board in the Charlestown Park matter.

The following was received

Boston, November 18th, 1890.

"To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners,
"Boston, Mass. The undersigned respectfully
"calls your attention to the fact that his land
"on the north side of Commonwealth Avenue,
"west of Charlesgate West is much hurt in
"value by reason of the present laying out of the
"sidewalk and street in front of same, viz: a
"Five foot sidewalk and Twenty foot street: and
"begs therefore that you re-lay out said street
"from Charlesgate West Thirty feet wide and a Ten
"foot sidewalk. T. Jefferson Coolidge."

and it was

Voted, that this Board recommends to the Street Department that the side road on the north side of Commonwealth Avenue between Charlesgate West and Beacon Street be widened to thirty feet, in the manner indicated on Mr. Olmsted's plan for the roads on the south side of the Avenue.

The Engineer in charge reported that a drain from Mr. Briggs' house had been cut by the work on Section 6 of the parkway and the City Engineer was authorized to order the contractor to relay the drain to connect with the sewer.

Voted, that the Charlesbank Gymnasium be-

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closed December 13, and the Superintendent relieved for the season.

Voted, that this Board suggest to the Brookline Park Commissioners that it might be advantageous to them if our police were also invested with power to act in the Brookline part of the parkway

The Secretary stated that the Contractor for Section A of the parkway had removed the loam from the land on both sides of that taken from Jacob Edwards and desired to know if he was to continue the work on that land. The Secretary was directed to send a notice to vacate to Mr. Edwards and so inform the Contractor.

The following was received:

"Office of the Park Commissioners Brookline, Nov. 24. 90

To the Board of Park Commissioners,

Boston, Mass. Gentlemen: Mr. Jackson, City Engineer, informs me that the Boston Water Board "will have about 70.000 cu. yds. of loam at Basin 5, Ashland "which they would like to dispose of. He says that he "has talked with your Commission about taking this loam, "and has offered to give the loam, if your Commission "and the Brookline Board will pay for the cost of "a track to the basin, which will amount to about "$7,000. I would like to know if you are in favor "of taking this loam, and joining with the Brookline "Commission in building this track.

"Mr. Jackson says that your Commission wants "about 40,000 cu. yds., and the Brookline Commission "about 30,000 cu. yds. If this is the case, I suppose "it would be proper for us to divide the expense in pro-"portion to the loam required, which, at 10 cents per "cu. yd. would be about $3,000 for the Brookline Com-"mission, and $4,000 for Boston.

"Will you kindly advise me of your views in regard "to the matter, and oblige, Yours truly Henry S. Whitney "Chairman, Brookline Park Com.

"Please send reply to 81 Milk Street, Boston."

and was referred to the Chairman to see if the Railroad Company desired any loam and if it would bear any part of the expense of the trucks.

A communication was made to the Mayor in answer to his letter of Nov. 20th (see letter Book 3. p. 992) circular No. 44 from the Mayor's office was received, read, and placed on file.

A diagram showing proposed location of iron poles on Huntington and Tremont with Avenue was received from the Boston Electric Light Company and said locations were approved, the poles to be erected under the supervision of the Engineer in Charge.

The following were received

"City of Boston, In Common Council

"November 20. 1890.

"Ordered, that the Park Commissioners report
"to this body, the object, and the benefits (if any)
"to the City in sub-letting the laboring work to con
"tractors in Franklin Park; also if it is their intention
"to sub-let all work now being done by the Park
"Department to contractors. Passed in Common Council
"Nov. 20. 1890. A true copy. Attest: John F. Kane
Clerk of the Common Council"

"City of Boston, In Common Council.

"November 20. 1890.

"The Committee on Park Department, to whom
"was referred by the Common Council the order
"requesting the Board of Park Commissioners to
"report certain facts relative to the extent and cost of
"Back Bay park, respectfully recommend, reference
"of the order to the Board of Park Commissioners.
"For the Committee Franklin P. Pierce. Accepted and
"referred accordingly. Sent up for concurrence. In
"Board of Aldermen, November 24, concurred. A
"true copy. Attest: John T. Priest Asst. City Clerk."

"City of Boston In Common Council June 12th 1890.
"Ordered:- That the Park Commissioners communi-
"cate to the City Council the number of acres contained

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"in the Back Bay Park, the amount of money if any
"paid for said park, the amount of money paid for
"the construction and ornamentation of said park -
"how many acres have been used, and to be used,
"for building drive ways and bridle paths, how many
"acres of said park are laid out for playgrounds and
"places of rest and recreation for the public, and what
"will be the probable cost for the completion of the
"construction of said Back Bay Park."
(Endorsed on the back:) "City of Boston, in Common Council
"June 12. 1890. Referred to Committee on Park Department.
"Joseph O'Kane, Clerk of the Common Council."

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, December, 5th 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M.

Present, mess. Sargent, Fenno and Walker, also present Mess. F. L. & J. C. Olmsted, Jackson & Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. Richard Olney and Mr. Pendleton, representing the estate of the Dearborn and Brown Heirs on Muddy River, came before the Board with Mess. Alex. S. Porter, and L. Foster Morse to offer evidence of the value of the land taken for the Parkway. Mess. Porter and Morse coincided in the opinion that fifty cents per foot was the value of the land for private improvement in connection with the adjoining estates, instancing prices held and given for land in the neighborhood on streets and avenues already built at from one dollar to one dollar and fifty cents per foot. Mr. Pendleton stated that fifty-five cents per foot had been offered for the entire estate and refused by the owners.

Subsequently an offer of $18.000 was authorized to be made by the Commissioners to the Dearborn and Brown

there no betterments to be assessed on their remaining land which is to be held under the usual restrictions pertaining to the Parkway frontages.

Mr. A. W. Gates-Fairbanks came before the Board for Mrs. Palmer to ask if the Commissioners would make an offer for the Longwood Avenue estate leaving the other land for subsequent settlement it being complicated with questions of betterment and restrictions which Mrs. Palmer was not ready to consider.

He stated that Mr. Palmer had paid $8,500. for the Longwood Avenue property and that repairs etc. made at the time had brought the cost of the estate above $10,000. Subsequently it was

Voted, that an offer of fifteen thousand dollars be made to Mrs. Palmer for all the property taken from her, with no betterments, but restrictions to be put on her adjoining lands as provided in the Parkway deeds.

Mr. Charles A. Williams came before the Board in the case of Francis Malley, and it was

Voted, that an offer of five thousand dollars and interest and proportion of water-rates be made to Francis Malley for his estate.

The Secretary stated that Mr. I. P. Clarke desired several modifications of the restrictions to be placed upon his estate owing to its peculiar situation between the parkway and Fellsmere Pond which he explained by reference to the plans. It was thereupon

*Voted, that where restrictions are to be imposed upon land which by reason of being situated between a park and a street, or for other cause is too shallow to allow of a clothes yard in the rear of buildings, clause one of restrictions may close with the words "unless entirely screened from view from said park".

Mr. Thomas Doane came before the Board to give his views in regard to establishing a public park or parks in Charlestown and expressed his view that it

*. The modifications to read "proceeding the note herein recorded it was also voted to amend said vote to Carolina A. Clarke the sum of eight hundred dollars, in settlement of damages, in the terms of the vote of December 19, 1890. excepting as amended by the latter vote.

Amended by vote of December 19.

Dec. 5. 1890. would be better to have several moderate sized parks rather than one large park. Mr. Doane submitted a plan showing three locations which he considered suitable and desirable, One being on Bunker Hill, Quincy and Medford Streets extending to Mystic River which is assessed for $111.750. Another on Main and Middlesex Streets, Rutherford Avenue and Allen Street assessed for $199.000. and the third lying between Corey and Tufts Streets assessed for $23.300.

Mr. Doane left his plans and the details of the assessors valuations with the Commissioners for further consideration.

Voted, That the Engineer in Charge be authorized to employ another assistant in the Engineering force at not exceeding $2.50 per day.

On the recommendation of the Engineer in Charge it was

Voted, That the Massachusetts Dredging Company be permitted to lay up their dredger at the outlet of the Back Bay Fens providing that nothing is attached to any structure belonging to the Park Department.

The following was received.

"Boston, December 2nd. 1890.

"To the Chairman Park Commissioners. Dear Sir:

"I write to ask if you would grant a permit to "allow me the privilege to play in Franklin Park "the game of Golf. The game is played by "six persons, it would not draw a crowd, as the interest "in the game is only with the players, there is nothing "to the playing of the game to cause a noise, or "injure the shrubery in the Park, it can be played "on either smoothe or rough ground, I would "select the latter, which would be the field off Seaver "Street opposite Elm Street near where they played "Saturday forenoon. I will guarantee if the privilege "is allowed me all will be satisfactory. I am yr. Truly Geo. Wright."

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TO: Ad Hoc Committee on the Glover Memorial

FROM Rev. Vincent A. Lapomarda, S. J.

SUBJECT: Next Meeting

DATE 14 February 1988

The next meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee will take place in St. Mary's Hall at Boston College on Tuesday, 23 February 1988 starting at 1:00 P. M. The purpose of this meeting is to hear Professor Sanford J. Fox of the Boston College Law School speak about the trial of Goody Glover since he was unable to attend meeting on January 26th.

At that time, Jim Kences, a specialist in excavations relating to seventeenth century America, spoke to the Committee and gave the case of Goody Glover a broader perspective by relating it to the political situation of the time, especially the events of the last year of the Dominion of New England. Preoccupied with searching for the ulterior motives behind the witchcraft trials, Kences sees in the case of Glover an attempt on the part of the Puritans to get back at Sir Edmund Andros.

For example, the charge that Andros was sympathetic to Catholics was, in the opinion of Kences, just the tip of the iceberg. Actually, if one refers to the standard history of the Archdiocese of Boston, one will find a basis for Kences' view. For this work points out that Andros had Anthony Brockholes, a Catholic, as his lieutenant governor. What was going on in 1688 was an attempt to get back at Andros for his tight-fisted policies against the Puritans who had to open their meeting house (Old South) to Anglicans and pay taxes for the support of the Anglican Church in addition to having their land claims called in question by the governor. Thus, if Andros had acted in the Glover case, he would have given the Puritans the evidence backing up their accusations that he was sympathetic with the Indians who were the allies of the French Catholics.

Andros was supposed to protect lands in New England but there is proof, in Kences' view, that he was associating with the Indians who were causing all the troubles. In the aftermath of the Glover case in 1689, the charge was raised of Catholic sympathies and the proof was brought forward in the form of a book that Andros gave to the Indians where one can find pictures of the Apostles and of the Virgin Mary.

Kences has studied the seventeenth century by looking at the victims. If one looks at the victims, it is clear that the children of the Goodwin family were afflicted with witchcraft in Cotton Mather's history. This was something rather stunning to the Puritans who had the testimony of Mather and his associates in the ministry because they had dealt with at least one daughter of the Goodwins, a prominent family. There was no doubt in their minds about her affliction with witchcraft because of the testimony of Mather in taking care of the child. Yet, Kences warned that one must not overlook that Mather was acting as much as a wise politician as he was a zealous minister in the Glover case.

The political aspect emerges when one learns that the wife of John Goodwin was in fact the daughter of Rev. Lathrop of Barnstable, one involved in the Atherton interest on the Bristol lands. Those associated with that interest were related to the Mathers by marriage and other ties. For example, one can find in the work by Murray N. Rothbard and Leonard P. Liggio, in Conceived in Liberty (New Rochelle, 1975), I, chapter 56, "The Dominion of New England," especially p. 415, how one of the proprietors of the Atherton Company, namely, Richard Wharton, was joined by others, including Samuel Sewall, in his protests in England against Andros. No less a person than Increase Mather had fled to London, in that same year of the Glover case, where in London he tried to negotiate a new charter for Massachusetts Bay in addition to having five times failed to have Andros replaced. These circumstances show that there was a larger picture that cannot be overlooked.

What the Puritans did, then, was to use Glover to get at Andros. When he did nothing, they executed her! Kences is not at all off target in his remarks since one can find Marion L. Starkey, the historian of the Congregational Church in New England, actually refers to Andros as the "scapegoat" of the Glover case!

After the Committee hears from Professor Fox, it may be in a position strong enough to finalize at the March meeting its decision regarding a proposal to the Massachusetts General Court for a memorial of Goody Glover.

and it was

Voted, that permission be granted to George Wright and others to play the game of Golf in Franklin Park experimentally, subject to the general supervision of the Sergeant of Police.

A communication was received from Jos. B. Blake calling attention to the condition of the spring on Franklin Park near Wales Street, some obstruction preventing the flow of water through the pipe, the residents in the vicinity using the water for drinking purposes. The matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge.

A communication was received from F. B. Patten asking a further allowance of five hundred dollars for damages on his estate and enclosing a letter from Gridley J. F. Bryant estimating damages to that amount in excess of what the Board has already offered.

The Commissioner declined to raise their offer on the reasons given by Mr. Patten.

Mayor's circular No. 45, was received read and placed on file, and the Engineer in Charge was directed to give two hours leave of absence without loss of pay on December 9 to all employés in order that they may vote.

The following was received and referred to the Landscape Architects and City Engineer for examination & report.

"City of Boston, In Common Council, Nov. 20, 1890.

"Ordered:- That the Park Department be requested to prepare plans and estimates for the improvement of that part of Neponset Creek, Dorchester, now owned by the City of Boston, and to make such recommendations for the further improvement of Neponset Creek as they may deem advisable. Passed. Sent up for concurrence.

"In Board of Aldermen, November 24, Concurred.

"Approved by the Mayor, November 26, 1890. A true copy.

"Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

The following were received, read and action thereon deferred.

Boston November 25, 1890.

"George F. Clarke, Esq: 87 Milk St. Boston. Dear Sir:-

Dec. 5. 1890.

"The officers of the South Boston Yacht Club "have called upon me to-day in relation to their sit- "uation in view of the land being taken by the City "of Boston for a park way. They hear that the Park "Commissioners are negotiating with the heirs of Bellows, "from the estate of which they have a lease, for a settlement.

"I thought I ought to call your attention to the "fact that they have a lease recorded in Suffolk Deeds "libro 1797, folio 29, which has some years to run; "and I suppose you would not settle without a "release from both landlord and tenant, unless by an "oversight. I have suggested to them the possi- "bility of the Park Commissioners giving them some "location for their club which might obviate the necessity "of any friction about damages, and I would like to "have you suggest this to the Park Commissioners for "their consideration. Yours truly, Augustus Russ."

City of Boston. In Common Council.

"November 20. 1890.

"Ordered:- That the Board of Park Commissioners "be requested to report to the City Council what por- "tion of the six hundred thousand dollars borrowed for "park purposes has been expended, the number of feet "of land bonded, the number of feet of land bought, the "price per foot paid, and the names of the persons from "whom said land was bought. Passed. Sent up for "concurrence. In Board of Aldermen, November 24. concurred. "Approved by the Mayor. November 26. 1890. A true copy. "Attest: John T. Priest. Asst. City Clerk."

The following was received, read, and placed on file.

"City of Boston. In Common Council. November 20. 1890.

"Ordered: That the Board of Park Commissioners "be hereby authorized to sell at public auction, or otherwise, "grass, wood, old material, and buildings or structures upon "Park lands and not required for park purposes.

"Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen, "November 20. concurred. Approved by the Mayor. November "26, 1890. A true copy. Attest, John T. Priest. Asst. City Clerk."

"City of Boston. In Common Council, Nov 20, 1890.
"Ordered: That the Board of Park Commissioners
"be respectfully requested to name the new park in Charles-
"town to be named "Lacey Park," in commemoration to
"Alderman Benjamin F. Lacey, and in recognition
"of the valuable services rendered by him to the City of
"Boston. Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board
"of Aldermen, November 24, Concurred. Approved by
"the Mayor, November 26, 1890. A true copy. Attest:
"John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

"City of Boston, In Common Council Nov. 20, 1890.
"Ordered: That the Park Commissioners be requested
"to resume work on Wood Island Park at once, or, if
"unable to do so, to report to the City Council the reason
"therefor. Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board
"of Aldermen, November 24, Concurred. Approved by
"the Mayor, November 26, 1890. A true copy. Attest:
"John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

Adjourned to Friday, December 12, at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, December 12, 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held pursuant to adjournment at its office at 2 P.M. Present Mess. Livermore and Walker, all having been duly notified.
Also present Mess. Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.
The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The Secretary stated that Mr. I. P. Clarke desired a modification of the restriction relating to height of buildings on his land between the Parkway and Autumn Street on account of the latter being some ten feet higher in grade than the parkway and which would require the foundations and basement to be higher than if the land were level. He desired the restriction to read sixty feet above "foundations" instead

Dec. 12. 1890. of "meangrade of the Edgestone or side walk in front".
The matter was referred to the Landscape Architects for examination and report.

The subject of joining with the town of Brookline in building a branch track into the basin at Ashland in order to obtain loam for the Parkway being considered, it was

Voted, that an answer be made to the Brookline Park Commissioners that on account of the insufficiency of funds now at the disposal of this Board it is not deemed advisable to undertake the building of the branch track at Ashland at the present time.

Voted, to close work for the winter December 13th. except excavation and grading banks of Channel in Longwood Entrance. Building Culverts and drains which must be finished without delay. Finishing Columbia Street Entrance road. Finishing stone work on arbor of Schoolmaster Hill. Finishing wall on Walter Street Entrance of the Arnold Arboretum. Finishing preparation for planting about Charlesbank Gymnasium.

Voted, that, Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Francis Malley as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Francis Malley the sum of five thousand two hundred and fifteen dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for

Public Park Lands.

Mr. Jos. H. Ringot representing Mr. Eben D. Jordan came before the Board to say that Mr. Jordan would sell the land required from his property for the Somerset Entrance for one dollar and fifty cents per foot which was the amount that the land had cost him. The Commissioners agreed to the price and gave Mr. Ringot a copy of the deed with restrictions to submit to Mr. Jordan for his approval.

Dr. Patten asked the Board to increase the offer made to him by the addition of $500. which he claimed should be given him for the reason that if he were allowed sixty cents per foot on an area of land equal to that taken from Mr. Coe, less the amount already paid and interest on a part of this land, it would come to about $500. more than the Commissioners offer and would put him on a par with Mr. Coe so far as their positions were alike. The Commissioners while disallowing his claims for a further allowance on lands previously purchased stated that they would give his case further consideration at a future day.

Mr. Gates Fairbanks asked for information as to the conditions of the last offer of the Board as affecting Mrs. Palmer's other property adjacent to the Parkway. He also said that he desired to submit at a future time evidence as to the value of the land taken.

A committee of the Harvard Improvement Association of Dorchester headed by Mr. Thomas H. Bicknell called the attention of the Board to a tract of low land on either side of Talbot Avenue near Franklin Park which would be a source of danger in a sanitary way unless taken in charge by the City for improvement.

Mr. Bicknell and Messrs. Charles Kibbie, M. F. Sweetzer and J. O. P. Carlton addressed the Board. They favored the taking of the wet lands for park or play ground purposes and which might be flooded in winter for a skating pond. Sergeant Murphy

Dec. 12. 1890. stated that Mr. Traverse had asked for further time in which to vacate the building occupied by him as a Mr. Quigley was building a shop for him on Minden Street which would be ready in a week.

The Commissioners declined to give Mr. Traverse further time and the Sergeant was directed to act accordingly. It was thereupon

Voted, That H. P. Mann, contractor for section "D" of the Parkway be permitted to use the building on Tremont Street now occupied by James Traverse for a blacksmith shop when vacated by him, and upon the payment of $8.00 per month rent.

Mr. Murphy asked the Commissioners for a letter to certify that he is authorized to represent the Park Employes to solicit advertisements for the programme of the ball to be held by them December 17. Mr. Murphy's request was refused.

At the suggestion of Mr. Olmsted and on recommendation of the Engineer in Charge who explained that the apparatus to the extent of more than $750. had been furnished and put up. It was

Voted, That there be allowed and paid to D. A. Sargent the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars upon his contract for furnishing the gymnastic apparatus for the Women's Gymnasium at Charlesbank and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Construction.

The following were received & referred to the Engineer in Charge. "City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.

"The Honorable the Board of Park Commissioners.

"Gentlemen: I enclose herewith a petition signed "by F. M. Leonard and others, asking that the "pond at Franklin Park be flooded, to afford skating "for the school-children. If this request is practi-"cable, it has my approval. Resp. Thos. N. Hart Mayor

" To Hon. Thomas N. Hart.
Mayor of Boston. We respectfully
" request you, as head of the City departments, to
" have the Park pond, at Franklin Park, flooded
" with water, in order that we may enjoy the pleasure
" and exercise of the fine skating it would afford.
" At present it is covered with rough ice and snow. We
" are all school children, none of us over twenty
" years of age, but we know from your reputation
" that you will listen to us just the same. Should
" it be out of your power, as Mayor, to grant this
" request, please endorse it and send it to the proper
" authorities if it meets your approval.
" We remain, Yours respectfully, F. M. Leonard,
" Mass. Inst. Technology. F. A. Thomas, Eng. High School
" A. A. Rollendorf. H. Cox, High School Annie M. Leonard
" Girls High School." and 30 others, and the
matter was referred to the Engineer in charge.
The following was received, read and placed on file
"Boston, December 8th 1890
" To the Honorable the Park Commissioners
" of the City of Boston. Gentlemen: The award
" made by your Board to Isaac Hayden, and
" Edward S. Winchester, and to Isaac Hayden individ-
" ually, for land in South Boston taken by you
" April 30th. 1890, for a Public Park, is deemed
" entirely inadequate, and said award is hereby
" respectfully declined. Very truly yours,
" Andreas Blume.
" Admr. Est. of Isaac Hayden deceased
" and Atty. for E. S. Winchester."

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec".

Boston December 19. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P. M. Present Messrs Kingsmore, Fenno and Wright, also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Messrs. Robert H. Lord and J. E. Cobb representing the owners of lands and flats in the South Bay consulted the Board in regard to devoting a part of the territory to parkway and playground purposes.

Dr. J. E. Bartlett presented his views in regard to a park for Charlestown. He owned some land and flats East of Tufts Mill Pond and submitted a map of these and other lands and flats containing in all about 23 acres which he favored taking for park purposes either with or without the mill pond property.

The Commissioners asked Dr. Bartlett to ascertain at what price the property could be purchased by the City and submit it to the Board.

Mr. Oliver B. Coe presented some considerations to the Board as to why he should be allowed greater damages than the amount offered by the Commissioners for the land taken from his estate.

Mr. Fenno stated that Dr. Patten had seen him in regard to his damages and that some little advance in their offer would satisfy Mr. Patten, after some consideration it was

Voted, that in addition to the offer already made to Mr. S. P. Patten he be allowed to remove the stable.

Voted, that there be purchased of Ebon D. Jordan for the purposes of a public park a certain parcel of land, containing four thousand three hundred and three square feet, more or less, and being shown on a plan made by William Jackson, City Engineer, dated March 11. 1890, and filed in the office of this Board; and that there be paid to the said Ebon D. Jordan the sum of six thousand four hundred and fifty four and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars upon his giving a deed for the same, satisfactory

to the City Solicitor, containing the limitation for said purposes, and all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed, excepting the restrictions relating to wooden houses, and that in clause three of restrictions the reserved space of twenty-five feet shall read twenty feet, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Mr. Barnard Capen said that the City Solicitor objected to his title owing to a right to take water from under and over his land held by Winchester and Hayden and which they declined to release. He asked the Board to vote to accept the deed subject to this right. The Commissioner agreed to consult the City Solicitor.

The following report from the Landscape Architects on the question refered to them at the last meeting was received read and placed on file:

"15th December, 1890.

" Wm. Foster Jr. Clerk

" Secy. of the Park Department, 87 Milk st. Boston. Mass.

" Dear Sir:- We send you herewith our draft " of a vote for the Commission to pass, modifying " the restrictions to be imposed on private property " adjoining the parks and parkways. We also " return your drafts and memorandum; also " plan and blue print of corner Longwood Avenue " and Riverway. In the first vote in regard " to drying clothes, we suggest that a limit " of 200 feet be inserted for the distance of the " street from the roadway.

"Yours truly, F. L. & J. C. Olmsted."

The vote of the Board passed December 6th modifying the restriction in regard to laundries and clothes yard in certain cases was reconsidered

Dec. 19. 1890. and it was

Voted, that said vote be amended so as to read as follows: That where restrictions are to be imposed upon a lot of land lying between a park or parkway and a street running in the same general direction as the boundary of said park or parkway, and not exceeding 200 feet distant therefrom, or in case a lot of land facing on said park or parkway is less than 100 feet deep, so that it would be difficult to provide a clothes drying yard in the rear of the building to be erected on the same, Clause 1 of the restrictions may close with the words: "Unless entirely screened from view from said park"

It was also, on recommendation of the Landscape Architects

Voted, That where restrictions are to be imposed upon a lot of land lying between a park or parkway and a street running in the same general direction as the boundary of said park or parkway, and not exceeding 200 feet distant therefrom, in case said street is more than three feet higher than the edge stone of sidewalk in said park or parkway, the usual restriction as to height of buildings may, if desired, be modified by increasing the limit of height by as many feet as said street is above said edge stone in said park or parkway, provided that in no case shall the limit of height of building exceed seventy feet above said edge stone in said park or parkway.

The vote of the Board, passed December 5 awarding damages to Caroline H. Clarke was reconsidered, and it was

Voted, that said vote be amended by inserting the word "in" before the words "clause one of the restrictions" and the words "the word 'seventy'

may be substituted for the word "sixty" and said clause" after said words, so that said vote shall read as follows.

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Caroline H. Clarke, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Caroline H. Clarke the sum of eight hundred dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of "Public Park Deed for the parkway, Muddy River, No. 2" excepting that in the covenant in regard to restrictions the distance of one hundred feet may read seventy feet, and that in clause one of the restrictions the word "seventy" may be substituted for the word "sixty" and said clause may close with the words " unless entirely screened from view from said Park" also upon her giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

The following was received

" Boston December 19, 1890.

" Mr. Livermore Chairman Park Commissioners,

" Boston Mass.. Sir: The peat being so deep

" and the nature of the work being so that I

" have to break the peat first to take off the black

" loam, again to take away the sub-soil and again

" to remove the gravel, Making three different times

Dec. 19. 1890.

" at frost breaking. My figures being close and
" it being impossible to finish this weather I respectfully
" ask for such an extension of time to enable me
" to finish my contract of "Grading at Arnold Arboretum"
" until the weather is more favorable. Trusting you
" will grant the above extension I remain respectfully
" Yours Wm. T. Davis 41 Linden St. Allston Mass.

and after some discussion as to the proposed grade of the driveway through the meadow at the Arboretum in connection with the ultimate drainage of the meadow it was

Voted, that the City Engineer be requested to confer with Mr. Sargent, Director of the Arnold Arboretum, to ascertain his wishes as to the grade of the road through the meadow northerly to Centre Street, and also to ascertain from the contractor under what terms the contract can be modified in connection with his request for an extension of time.

Mr. Bowe reported that he had tried to flood the skating Pond at Franklin Park but that owing to the small head of water in the brook and the difficulty of getting a sufficient supply it was not a success. The Secretary was directed to report the same to the Mayor.

The following were received read & placed on file.

" Boston December 15. 1890

" T. L. Livermore Esq. Chirman, Board Park Commissioners.
" Dear Sir: We have received your communi-
" cation of the 9th inst, and in reply would
" say that if all the owners of land abutting on the
" Vernon Entrance to the Park (except the Folsom heirs)
" agree to the proposition contained in your communi-
" cation above referred to, we will join in the
" arrangement. Very resp'y, yours, George F. Richardson
" G. F. W. Braman, Trustees, Boston Water Power Co.

" Sorrell, Mass. Dec. 17. 1890.

"T. L. Livermore, Esq, Chairman, Board of Park Commrs.

" 85 Mick st. Boston, Mass. Dear Sir:- Replying
" to your favor of the 9th inst. would say that if
" the other owners of property adjoining the Tremont
" Entrance to the Park, or at least a majority of
" them, consent to your proposition for accepting
" deeds of a 30 foot strip of land adjoining the
" Park, you to fill the same and construct streets,
" giving the right of entrance &c. I shall also be willing
" to carry out such an arrangement.

" Yours truly, Frederick Ayer. "

" Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
" Treasury Department. Boston, Dec. 16. 1890.
" Park Commissioners. City of Boston. Gentlemen:
" You will find enclosed an assessment by the
" Harbor and Land Commissioners for "tide-water
" displaced by building an extension of the iron
" pier at the Marine Park, South Boston," under
" license dated October 18th 1888, and amounting
" to $ 17.67. Be kind enough to place this in the
" way of adjustment on or before January 11. 1891. Yrs. truly,
" Geo. A. Marden, Treasurer. by John 2. Adams clerk."

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, December 26. 1890.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Livermore and Fenno, Mr. Walker being absent from the City. Also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Mr. Gates-Fairbanks came before the Board for Mrs. Mary E. Palmer and called upon Mr. Geo. L. Appleton to state to the Board his opinion of the value of the property taken from Mrs. Palmer. Mr. Appleton put the Longwood Avenue estate at one dollar per foot for

Dec. 26. 1890. the land, including half the passage way, and the assessed valuation of the buildings. His estimate of the land taken on Park Park Street was fifty cents per foot. Mr. Appleton also gave reasons for his figures. Subsequently it was

Voted, not to increase the offer made to Mrs. Tilmer and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Gates-Fairbanks.

Mr. John E. V. Hayden representing Dennis A. Reardon stated that Mr. Reardon would accept the award of the Commissioners for his flats on Atlantic Street, So. Boston, and that he would agree to sell one half of the remaining flats at the same price when the continuation of the parkway line is determined.

It was thereupon

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30, 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in South Boston belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land or flats belonged to Dennis A. Reardon as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Dennis A. Reardon the sum of three hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; also upon his agreeing in writing to convey to the City for park purposes one half of his remaining flats at the same rate when so requested; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Mr. R. P. Owen, city conveyancer, came before the Board and stated that Barnard Capen had granted to Edward S. Winchester and his heirs and assigns the right to take and use exclusively all water, whether in

springs or on the surface or under the surface of" the lot of land a part of which was taken April 30. 1890, and had covenanted not to interfere with or prevent the flow of water by spring, either under or on the surface of said land, or divert the same in any way. He thought that this right was not an incumbrance of sufficient importance to justify a refusal to accept Mr. Capen's deed. It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to accept and approve the deed of Parnard Capen conveying to the City certain land taken by an act of this Board passed April 30. 1890. notwithstanding the encumbrance on said Capen's title created by his deed to Edward S. Winchester. dated February 12. 1883, granting certain water rights in said land.

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to I. Bartlett Patten, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said I. Bartlett Patten the sum of one thousand five hundred and forty and $\frac{86}{100}$ dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of "Public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River No. 2" excepting that in clause one of the restrictions the word seventy may be substituted for the word sixty, and said clause may close with the words "unless entirely screened from view from said Park," also upon his giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special

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draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Mr. Jackson stated that he had conferred with Mr. Sargent who had agreed that the time for completing the contract for grading at the Arboretum may be extended.

Mr. Jackson also had asked Mr. Davis if he would make a deduction of price on account of not having to move the peat so far which he declined to do. It was thereupon

Voted, that Mr. Jackson make the best bargain he can with Mr. Wm. T. Davis to modify the contract for grading at the Arnold Arboretum according to Mr. Sargent's plan and in that connection may agree that the time for completing the same may be extended to July 1st. next.

At the suggestion of the City Engineer it was

Voted, that Perkins and White be paid the balance due them under the third approximate estimate of the City Engineer on their contract dated September 10. 1890, and that payments be resumed in the usual course under said contract to January 1st. 1891.

A Committee of Park Laborers came before the Board to ask if work could not be resumed on the parks particularly ledge work which they claimed could be done in winter to better advantage than in summer.

The following was received, read and the plan explained by Mr. Olmsted:

"23rd. December, 1890.

" Mr. Geo. F. Clarke Esq.

" Secretary of the Park Commission, 87 Milk St. Boston. Mass.

" Dear Sir:- We send you herewith a plan showing the " proposed revision of the boundary line of the land at the " corner of Fremont Entrance and the Fenway.

" As we have an engagement which will prevent " our attending the next meeting of the Board, will " you kindly present the plan for approval and state " that we see no objection to it, provided the adjoining " property owners, who have to give the full fifty feet, " consent to it. If the plan is approved by the Board,

" it will be necessary to have Mr. Howe measure the lines
" upon the ground before an accurate description can be
" prepared for the deed.
" Yours truly, F. L. & J. C. Olmsted."
Mr. Wm. P. Williams also being present the plan
presented by Mr. Olmsted, dated December 22. 1890, was
approved, provided that it be acceptable to the Boston
Water Power Company which owns the land on either
side, and that the trustees of the said Company's lands
so agree in writing.
The following was received:
" City of Boston. In Common Council. Dec. 18. 1890.
" Ordered, that the Park Commissioners be requested to
" inform this body the cause of laying off the men in
" their department: also if it is not possible to transfer
" the men to Franklin Park as was done last year,
" said report to be sent in at the next meeting of this body.
" Passed in Common Council. Dec. 18. 1890. A true copy.
" Attest:- Joseph O'Kane, Clerk of the Common Council."
and a reply made. (See letter book 4. p. 12.)
The following were received read and placed on file
" City of Boston, In Common Council December 18. 1890.
" Ordered:- That the Board of Park Commissioners be,
" and are hereby requested to reserve a sufficient space,
" adjacent to the easterly end of Broadway, in their plan
" for laying out the grounds of the Marine Park at
" South Boston, for the erection and suitable protection
" of a statue within the said grounds. - Also that they
" be furthermore hereby requested to use their best en-
" deavors to procure for said location the statue which
" is being prepared of the late Admiral Farragut.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
" December 22. Concurred. Approved by the Mayor, December
" 23. 1890. A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest Asst. City Clerk.
" Circular 46. City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.
" To the Heads of Departments. Gentlemen:-
1) The attention
" of every Department, except the finance divisions, is

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" invited to Chapter 3, Section 22, of the Revised Ordi-
" nances, which provides that the annual reports must
" be transmitted to the Mayor on or before the tenth day
" of January. Each Department is requested to add
" a complete schedule of its property.

2) All Departments
" are requested to transmit without delay a brief statement
" of their present condition and immediate require-
" ments, if any, for the use of the Mayor-Elect.

The annual reports should
" be transmitted to the Mayor in print: the statements for
" the Mayor-Elect should be submitted on quarto sheets
" of about the same size as the present circular.
" December 20. 1890. Respectfully, Thomas N. Hart, Mayor."

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, January 2. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office, 39 Court Street, at 2 P. M.
Present Messrs Livermore and Walker all having been duly notified, also present Messrs Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved

Mr. Thomas Hills stated to the Board that he had become the owner of the property formerly owned by Helen M. Hayden, a part of which had been taken for the parkway, the right to damages for which was also vested in him by deed from Frederick P. Glover. Mr. Hills made a statement based upon an analysis of the property by which he made the value of the land taken to be $3070.00. The Commissioners agreed to take his statement under consideration and make an offer of settlement at a future meeting.

Mr. Hills also pointed out that the parkway line

left a small parcel of land, containing about 2,700 square feet, between I Street and the passageway adjoining his land which if restricted to the twenty foot set back would be too small an area to be useful for building purposes. He therefore suggested that this parcel be taken leaving the passageway to constitute the new line for the parkway.

Mr. Andrew C. Slater appeared for Mrs. Elizabeth H. Whitney to ask the Board in the settlement with her to allow five hundred dollars more on account of the sea wall which he said had cost about eight hundred dollars to build. The Commissioners declined to increase their offer, but agreed that it should carry interest from April 30th less the sixty dollars rent she has collected since that date.

Mr. J. Pickering Putnam, Architect, presented the following petitions and a plan and elevation of the building he proposed to erect.

" To the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of
" Boston: The undersigned requests permission
" to project from building Beacon Street Corner Charles-
" gate East 4 Bay Windows of iron of the following
" description: To project from six stories above
" 2nd. story, over Charlesgate East.

Dimensions.

" each 68'. feet high, . . . 15'.
" feet wide, ... 3'. 6". feet over line of Street.
" (Signature), J. Pickering Putnam Archt.
" for the Owners.
" (Address) 4 Pemberton Sq. Boston.
" Date Aug. 27. 1890.

" Boston December 29. '90.

" To the Park Commissioners. Gentlemen. We desire
" to make application to excavate and occupy about
" eight feet of the Sidewalk on Charlesgate East
" Corner of Beacon Street for the purpose of building.
" We will protect the rest of the sidewalk by a
" Bulk head in the usual manner. Respectfully yours

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J. Pickering Putnam, Architect for the owners.

After some discussion it was

Voted, that the application of J. Pickering Putnam, Architect, for leave to build an apartment house on Charlesgate East between Beacon Street and Marlborough Street, according to plan submitted, with Bay Windows, having their bodies not less than sixteen feet above the curb stone, and projecting not more than three feet six inches over the line of the Park, be granted.

At the suggestion of the Board Mr. Putnam left a copy of his plan for filing with the records; and signed a bond of indemnity which was also placed on file.

Voted, that a permit be granted to J. Pickering Putnam, Architect for the owners, to excavate eight feet of the sidewalk of Charlesgate East at the corner of Beacon Street for the purpose of putting in the foundations of a house provided that he will support the rest of the sidewalk by a bulkhead and restore it to its present condition and will also agree to maintain barriers and keep lanterns upon them at night and give the usual bond of indemnity against damages.

Mr. Jackson submitted the plan for a modification of the contract for grading at the Arboretum, and it was

Voted, that the plan be approved subject to the concurrence of Prof. Sargent; and that Mr. Jackson agree with Mr. Davis to modify the contract, provided that the increased cost shall be found not to be excessive.

Mr. Olmsted presented plans for the Arbor on Schoolmaster Hill and it was

Voted, that the plans of the Arbor presented by Mr. Olmsted be approved and that Mr. Howe procure an estimate of such parts as can be obtained.

Mr. Olmsted also submitted a plan for the extension of the parkway on the easterly side of Jamaica Pond.

Mr. Kemp for citizens of Washington Village asked for information in regard to the extension of the South Boston Parkway.

The following was received and placed on file.

"Boston December 30. 1890.

"Hon. Thomas J. Livermore, Chairman of the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston. Dear Sir: Upon your request for a price for about twenty acres in the South Bay, for Park purposes. A meeting of the Directors of the South Bay Improvement Company was held on the 29th inst. and the following vote was passed. Voted: that the Treasurer be authorized to sell to the City of Boston or to the Park Commissioners thereof, a tract of about (20) twenty acres for Park purposes, situated in the South Bay, between the New York & New England R. R., Seaver Street, Boston Street and East Chester Park, according to a preliminary plan for a Play Ground made by F. L. Olmsted & Co. of Brookline, and dated Oct. 20th 1890.

"On the following terms: The price to be ten cents per square foot, and the area to be paid for to be to the centre of a sixty foot street which it is understood shall surround the tract sold as per aforesaid plan, this company to give the remaining thirty feet in width necessary for the Street, but the City or Park Commissioners to do the filling and to build the entire street.

"It is understood that the City or Park Commissioners shall fill the tract to grade and build the Streets mentioned within a reasonable length of time satisfactory to this Board, and that a slight change may be made in the location of the tract sold if it may seem desirable. It is also understood that this option shall be good for six months from date and no longer. Yrs. truly. Robt. H. Lord, Secy."

Geo. H. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, January 9. 1891

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Livermore, Fenno, and Walker, also present messrs Jackson, Howe & J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. William A. Low asked the Board to consider the question of the grade of the Parkway at the corner of Bellevue and Francis Street which he claimed was now a dangerous corner to turn and would be made worse if the grade was to be lowered on account of the Parkway. The matter was referred to the Landscape Architects and Engineer in charge to examine and report to the Board.

Otis Kimball, President of the Boston Water Power Company, and P. D. Brennan for the Trustees asked the Board to consent to a modification of the deed of the lands required to widen the Longwood entrance of the Fens so that the covenant to hold its remaining land subject to restrictions shall apply only to its remaining land in the rear of the parcels deeded and to a depth of one hundred feet from the park line, and it was

Voted that the City Solicitor be authorized to accept the deed with the modification proposed by the Water Power Company.

Alderman Flood and a Committee of the Mosquito Fleet Yacht Club came to consult the Board in regard to the prospect of the Club house being allowed to remain undisturbed as the Club desired to make an addition to its building. The Commissioners thought the prospect of their being disturbed by the construction of the Parkway was remote.

Miss S. A. Brown for the Jeremiah Brown heirs asked $3500. damages for the estate on K Street taken for the Parkway. She said it was rented for fifteen dollars per month.

The Commissioners agreed to examine the property and

made her an offer.

Mr. Brandley offered to settle with the City for his Downer Street property for five thousand dollars. The Commissioners declined to accede to his proposition but offered to pay him three thousand dollars and let him take the buildings which he declined.

Mr. Reynolds came before the Board in the matter of his damages for land taken at the corner of Fremont and Heath Streets.

The Secretary was directed to make an offer of twenty two hundred dollars to Mr Bills subject to the usual conditions as to betterment and restrictions.

On report of the Engineer in Charge that the amount authorized to be expended on the stone work of the Arbor on Schoolmaster Hill had been expended and that the work would require a further expenditure of four thousand dollars also that he had estimated the cost of the woodwork of the Arbor at two thousand dollars which he recommended should be done by day labor, it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to continue the stone work and complete the woodwork of the Arbor at an estimated expense of six thousand dollars.

The Chairman stated that Mr. Slater had accepted the offer of the Board to Mrs. Whitney & it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30, 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land and flats belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land and flats belonged to Elizabeth H. Whitney, as appears by said Act, there be awarded and paid to the said Elizabeth H. Whitney the sum of ten thousand eight hundred and eighty six and $\frac{32}{100}$ dollars upon her proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements,

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restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

A bill for furnishing and setting edgestones on 2 Street between E. Second and E. Sixth Streets amounting to five hundred and ninety five $^{9}/_{100}$ dollars being received from the City Collector the Secretary was directed to inquire of the Corporation Counsel if this Department is required by law to pay said bill.

The following were received read & placed on file. and the Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Putnam of the opinion of the Corporation Counsel:

"Boston January 5. 1891.

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston,

"Gentlemen. Refering to your vote according to "me the privilege of projecting Bay Windows on the "Charlesgate East side of a building I am about "to erect on the corner of Beacon Street and Charlesgate "East, I would ask if it is necessary for us to obtain "the ascent of any other Department of the City Gov- "ernment or to advertize, or perform any other act "to protect us in the enjoyment of the privilege "granted. Respectfully Your J. Pickering Putnam, for the owners

"City of Boston, Office of the Corporation Counsel.

"January 9. 1891.

"To the Honorable the Board of Park Commissioners.

"Gentlemen: It is my impression that the only authority "which can give a permit to build bay windows over the land described "as Charles Gate East, is the Board of Park Commissioners: "but the provisions for bay windows are different from "those which apply to some other projections in streets.

"The provision for bay windows is the statute provision "under the building law, sect. 27 of Ch. 374 of the Acts "of 1885, and it extends to such windows" in any pub- "lic way or square". Possibly it might be held to in- "clude the place in question. I can only say that "as a matter of caution it may be well for the builder "to get the permission mentioned in said act; but "with such permission and the authority of the Board "of Park Commissioners I think that he would be "protected. Respectfully yours, J. B. Richardson, Corp. Counsel".

Circular #7 from the Mayor calling for the annual estimates was received, and the Secretary and Engineer in Charge were directed to prepare such estimates and submit them to the Board.

Mayors circular # 48 was also received & read.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for laying out the Fremont Entrance modified as required by the refusal of the owners of the lands at the junction of the entrance and Huntington Avenue to contribute the land for the streets.

The Secretary stated that the Department accounts had been closed for the year, and that the Account Clerk was now at work upon the details of ex- penditures for the annual Report.

Mr. Fenno stated that Mr. Horace S. Parker had asked permission to take photographs at the Fens and it was

Voted, that Horace S. Parker be permitted to enter the reserved portions of the Back Bay Fens under the direction of the Sergeant of Police for the purpose of taking photographs said permission to be limited to one year unless renewed.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston January 16. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore, Fenno, and Walker, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe and J.C. Olmsted

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. G. D. Braman appeared for the Boston Water Power Company and stated that the Company did not want to restrict any part of the narrow lot bordering the Fens, a part of which was to be deeded to the City under the agreement already made, although willing to restrict the lot on Brookline Avenue adjoining the Longwood Entrance.

The Company desired to give a release merely of the other parcels, without an agreement on the part of the City as to rights of access to the parkway from the remainder of said parcels, leaving the question of rights of ways & consequent restrictions for subsequent agreement. This he said would leave the remaining lands of the Company bordering the Fens in the same condition in which they were at present, and would leave the Company free to negotiate with adjoining owners for exchange of lands upon equal terms. It was thereupon

Voted, that the votes of this Board of October 9. 1890. to purchase lands of the Boston Water Power Company, and of January 9. 1891, to authorize the City Solicitor to accept the deed of said Company in a modified form be rescinded.

Voted, that there be purchased of the Boston Water Power Company for the purposes of a public park a certain parcel of land containing 1062 square feet, more or less, on Brookline Avenue adjoining the Longwood Entrance of the Back Bay Fens and being shown on a plan, made by William Jackson, City Engineer, dated March 14. 1890. and filed in the office of this Board; and that there be paid to George F. Richardson and G.F.W.

Braman, Trustees, the sum of fifteen hundred and ninety three dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, containing the limitation for said purposes, and all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed, excepting the restrictions relating to wooden houses, and that in clause three of restrictions the reserved space of twenty-five feet shall read twenty feet, also that in the covenant relating to restrictions the word park may read parcel - and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Pubic Park Lands.

Voted, that there be purchased of the Boston Water Power Company for the purposes of a public park three certain parcels of land containing respectively 2256 square feet, 10.928 square feet and 3½ square feet, more or less, adjoining the Back Bay Fens, and being shown on a plan made by William Jackson, City Engineer, dated March 14, 1890, and filed in the office of this Board; and that there be paid to George F. Richardson and G. T. W. Braman, Trustees, the sum of nineteen thousand seven hundred and eighty one and 25/100 dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, containing the limitation for said purposes, also the right in the usual form to slope or bank the filling where required for grading said park upon their remaining land abutting upon said parcels and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation

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for Public Park Lands.

Mr. Hankey came before the Board to ask a settlement for the land and property taken from Anthony Hankey's estate in South Boston. He said that his father had laid out $33.000 on the property.

The Commissioners offered $8,100. under the usual agreement as to Betterments and restrictions and allow Mr. Hankey to take his buildings.

The Secretary was directed to offer the Jeremiah Brown Heirs $2.500. for the land taken and the whole of the house or $2,000 and allow them to take the house, both offers to be on the usual terms as to betterments and restrictions.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Mills had accepted the offer of $2,200. with the usual conditions as to betterments and restrictions and it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land and flats belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land and flats belonged to Frederick P. Glover, there be awarded and paid to Thomas Mills, assignee of Frederick P. Glover, the sum of Twenty-two hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the Covenants, agreements restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

John Marlin came to ask for a settlement of his damages for the taking of his house and land corner of Tremont and Kimball Streets. He wanted twenty thousand

dollars. He said he had paid sixty cents per foot twenty years ago for part of it and sixty four cents at auction for the corner lot about five years ago. The Commissioners offered him nine thousand dollars.

John Devine offered to settle his damages for fifteen thousand dollars for the estate on Fremont Street taken by the Board; The Commissioners offered him seventy four hundred dollars which he declined.

Mr. Howe reported that Mr. Spence complained that the surface water which had collected on the low lands between Kimball and Heath Street, owing to the filling of the parkway, had flooded his cellar and it was

Voted that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to put a box drain under the parkway to drain said lands.

Mr. Howe also stated that a Mr. Minton offered to sell about 300 squares of gravel filling, which he was taking from a cellar, to the Department at two dollars per square delivered at the Arnold Arboretum. The Commissioners decided not to take it, Mr. Howe to notify him accordingly.

Mr. Olmsted reported that the plan of the parkway entrance at the corner of Bellevue and Francis Street does not require the lowering of the Street grade at that point and the Engineer in Charge was directed in grading the parkway to maintain the Street grade at this point.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston January 23. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Livermore, Fenno, and Walker, also present messrs Jackson and F.L. & J.C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Mr. Freeman Hunt representing Cambridge in the claim for damages to the West Boston Bridge property by the removal of its buildings and pier in the construction of Charlesbank appeared before the Board with City Solicitor Bailey. Mr. Bailey said that they had agreed to settle the case for three thousand dollars, one half to be paid to Cambridge and one half to Boston to the credit of the Department of Cambridge Bridges. It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to have judgment entered in the suit of the City of Cambridge for damages caused by the taking and laying out of a public park between Craigie and West Boston bridges, in the sum of $3,000, one half to be paid to Cambridge and one half to Boston to the credit of the Department of Cambridge Bridges.

D. A. Hall appeared before the Board and renewed his proposition that he should collect rents from the City Point property taken from him for the Park-way which he would agree to offset against interest on the award of the jury. He also asked the Board to consider a proposition to give him a right of access to the water for float stages etc. for boating purposes which if it could be done would materially reduce his damages on the estate corner of P. Street. Subsequently after consultation with Mr. Bailey, the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Hall that the Commissioners do not see any way of accomplishing the purpose desired by him but that meanwhile he can file his petition, and, if desired, Mr. Bailey can make an agreement to offset the rents against

the verdict.

Mr. Nyhan with his counsel Mr. Burrage came before the Board and offered to settle for the property taken from him at corner of Kimball and Fremont Streets at one dollar per ft. foot for the land taken and two thousand dollars for the house.

The Commissioners offered forty five hundred and twenty seven dollars and allow him to take the house, which Mr. Nyhan took under consideration.

The Secretary stated that Mr. C. A. Morss had declined the Commissioners offer of five thousand dollars for his land on Kimball Street but that he would settle the matter on the basis proposed in his offer of May 10. 1887, without adding interest and taxes to date as he formerly proposed. Mr. Bailey being asked by the Commissioners his opinion of the matter thought the settlement a good one and should be accepted. It was thereupon

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging ~~to several~~ to several persons and parties, Whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Charles A. Morss, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Charles A. Morss the sum of fifty five hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, also upon his giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged

Jan. 23. 1891. to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Mr. E. C. Gifford came before the Board to ask a settlement of his damages for land taken at South Boston. The Commissioners offered 12½ cents per square foot on the usual terms which Mr. Gifford accepted and it was thereupon

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land and flats belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Edward C. Gifford as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Edward C. Gifford the sum of three hundred and eighty nine and $^{50}/_{100}$ dollars upon his proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Gales Fairbanks had submitted an offer from Mrs. Palmer to settle her case for seventeen thousand five hundred dollars with no betterments and she to restrict all her lands fronting on the Parkway. The Commissioners declined to accept the offer.

Mr. Ronca asked the Board to remit one hundred dollars of his rent for the Marine Park Refectory owing to the interruption of his business by the work in progress during the summer. His receipts he said were eighteen hundred dollars less than the year before.

The Commissioners agreed to let the matter stand

until Mr. Ronca applies for the next season.
Mr. Jackson submitted the following.

"Boston, Jan. 23d 1891.

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston,

"Gentlemen. Under the provisions of the contract between the City of Boston and the undersigned, for filling at Marine Park dated Sept. 10th 1890, the filling is to be obtained from places approved by the Mass. Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners and by the Park Commissioners.

"The undersigned would respectfully ask the approval of your Board for dredging the mud filling from that portion of the Marine Park known as "Pleasure Bay" and for dredging the gravel from a point in Weymouth Fore River known as "Hunts Point" The latter place being the only feasible point for obtaining gravel known to the undersigned.

Very respectfully Perkins & White."

and it was

Voted, that this Board accedes to the proposition of Mess. Perkins & White, dated January 23. 1891. on condition that the Board of Harbor & Land Commissioners gives its consent.

Mr. Olmsted submitted alternate plans for the parkway between Jamaica Pond and Arnold Arboretum.

The Secretary was directed to advertise a hearing in the Charlestown Park matter for January 27th at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, January 27. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Messrs Livermore, Fenno, and Walker, Mr. Howe also being present.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Jan. 27. 1891. A hearing was given to all persons wishing to address the Board on the subject of public parks in Charlestown: the following notice having been published in all the daily papers and in the Charlestown Enterprise.

"City of Boston, Department of Parks.

"The Park Commissioners will hear all citizens who "desire to be heard on the question of the location of "the proposed park in Charlestown, at their office 39 Court "Street, Tuesday, January 27, 1891, at 2 P. M."

The following persons presented plans and addressed the Board: Mr. James Keyes of 52 Mystic Street Charlestown presented a plan (No. 1) of 40 acres on Mystic River and Medford Street between Mystic Wharf and Watermans Wharf. He said the City owns about five acres of the lot and gave his reasons for recommending the plan.

Dr. J. E. Bartlett presented a plan (No. 2) of about 40,000 square feet of solid land and 660,000 square feet of flats or a total of 16 acres on Mystic River, near the junction of Main, Medford and Bunker Hill Streets. Dr. Bartlett also presented his agreement for the location in writing which is on file.

Joseph Stone presented a plan (No. 3) of about 27 acres of marsh and flats on the northerly side of Mystic River adjoining the Charlestown Almshouse. He said there were about 10 acres of high land and 17 acres of flats which could be bought for ten cents per square foot.

Mr. W. T. Van Nostrand presented a plan of the Tufts Mill Pond property as the most desirable site for a park for Charlestown. He called attention to the large petitions for this location signed by influential citizens and presented a book containing the names of these petitioners and newspaper cuttings of hearings interviews, and correspondence in favor of this location.

Mr. Hitchborn presented a petition in favor of the

plan presented by Mr. Keyes and advocated the location as central being half way from the Navy Yard Wall to Charlestown neck and opposite some eight or ten streets. The wharfs are owned by men who are willing to sell at a reasonable price. The railroad can be bridged readily, could be easily filled by City ashes and refuse from the Navy Yard which is much in need of a dumping ground. It is about forty acres in extent and was worth some years ago about four times what it is at present owing to changes in the way of doing business in the past twenty years.

Mr. William H. Preble of 209 Bunker Hill Street favored the Bunker Hill site between Quincy and N. Mead Streets and Bunker Hill Street to the water. It contains over 500.000 square feet of land and flats, taxed at $50.000 and the hill top could be levelled and the hill side terraced.

Mr. A. H. Quinn favored a park in the centre of the district. To get to the Bath house on Chelsea Bridge one has to cross six railroad tracks. He favored either Bunker Hill Site or Mr. Keyes plan and could have the bath house moved to the park when established.

Mr. George S. Prendergast favored Mr. Stone's plan of the westerly side of Malden Bridge and northerly side of Mystic River.

Mr. Henry Woodbury favored the Bunker Hill site from N. Mead to Walnut Street.

Mr. [illegible] Brennan said that the objection to the Medford Street site is the railroad running through the property. The most available site for the north end of Charlestown is the Hill which could also be convenient to the point. He also favored taking the flats adjoining the Bunker Hill site.

Mr. J. J. Corbett favored the Bunker Hill site as more central to the people and having more

Jan. 27. 1891. natural advantages than any other besides affording all the advantages of a dumping ground which were claimed for the other sites, there were 160,000 square feet of land and nearly 400,000 square feet of flats in this location or between twelve and thirteen acres,

Mr. Edward Riley favored the Bunker Hill site as most easy of access and available to all parts of Charlestown.

The hearing was then closed no one else desiring to be heard.

Mayor's circular No. 49 dated January 23, 1891 was received and a reply made, See Letter Book. 4. Page 34.

Mr. Howe presented the following estimate of the amount needed during the coming year for maintenance, action upon which was postponed until the next meeting.

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Col. Thomas L. Livermore Chairman Board of Park Commissioners. Dear Sir. The following is an estimate of the cost of that portion of the Park Maintenance which is under my charge for the year 1891-92

Franklin Park.		
Roads and Walks.	$ 9,000.	
Overlook.	2,000	
Care of Playstead, Ellicottdale and other grass ground.	2,500.	
Plantations.	2,500	
Care of Sheep.	1,000	
General Work including repairs on buildings, signs clerks &c.	1,600.	$ 18,600
Arnold Arboretum.		
Care of Roads & Walks.		1,600
Parkway.		
Roads and Walks.	5,500	
Plantations	3,000	
Watchmen	1,000	
General Work including repairs of buildings Care of fowls, looking after flow of water &c.	1,000	10,500

amount brot forward.		$ 30.700
Charlesbank		
Mens Gymnasium.	3.500.	
Walks.	500.	
Gas.	500.	
Womens Gymnasium.	1.500.	
Plantations.	3.000	
General Work	500	9.500
Wood Island Park		
Two Watchmen.		1.600
Marine Park.		
Watchman.	950.	
Lamplighter.	750.	
Water and Gas.	500	
General Work.	800	3.000.
Total . .		$ 44.800

Respectfully Yours E. W. Howe. Asst. Engineer in Charge.

The Chairman stated that he had caused a reply to be made to the aldermen as requested by the order that this Board report "the amount of "the contracts awarded during the year 1890 to be "charged to the five hundred thousand dollars appro- "priated for construction for the year 1891: also the "amount of each contract, the purpose of the same, "and the name of the contractor."

(For reply see letter Book 4. P. 27)

The order refered to is as follows.

City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen, Jany. 19. 1891. Ordered; That the Park Commissioners be re- quested to report to this Board, at its next meet- ing, the amount of the contracts awarded during the year 1890 to be charged to the five hundred thousand dollars appropriated for construction for the year 1891: also the amount of each contract, the purpose of the same, and the name of the con- tractor. Passed. Approved by the Mayor Jany. 21. 1891. A true copy. Attest: Edwin U. Curtis, City Clerk.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, January 30, 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Livermore and Sohmo. Mr. Walker being absent from the City, also present mess. Olmsted Jackson and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Mr. Choate Burnham came before the Board to effect a settlement of his damages for the taking of flats on ninth street. Mr. Burnham wanted $15,000, after some discussion the Commissioners offered $12,000 in settlement which Mr. Burnham took under consideration.

Patrick Maney wanted $3,000 for his house and land taken on Downer Street. The Commissioners offered him $2,000 and the house excepting the stone foundations.

The following was received:

January 23, 1891.

"To the Board of Park Commissioners, For the City of Boston,

"Gentlemen:- I desire herewith to submit to your "Honorable Board in behalf of the heirs and devisees "of Thomas Mc. Mahan of 72 Downer Street, Boston, "the following proposition:- They to execute a release "for all claims for assessment of damages by a jury "for land taken by the Commissioners, or such other "releases as the Commissioners may desire, on the "condition that the Commissioners.

"(1) award said heirs and devisees the sum of $2600,

"(2) allow said heirs and devisees to remove the house "and basement and to hold the same for their use forever.

"(3) and to make no claim for rent of the premises "since the taking by the Commissioners.

" The assessed value of the land is $1400: the assessed "value of the buildings in 1874, before the basement "was added, was $1000; supposing that to be a two-thirds "valuation, the real value would be $2100. To this "add the actual amounts expended on the addition,

" in brick and stone, mason and carpenter work,
" painting, plastering and plumbing to wit $697. and
" the total is $ 2797. for which the offer of $2600. seems
" reasonable. This offer in no way to prejudice any
" claim any such devisees and heirs may have, unless
" accepted. By their Attorney, L. W. Peters."
and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board does not wish to increase its offer of $2,300. which was made before but would accept the other terms of his offer not including the stone foundations of the house if any.

The following was received:

" 30th January, 1891.

" Col. Thomas J. Livermore, President of the Boston
" Park Commission, 39 Court St. Boston, Mass.
" Dear Sir:- There is a rumor that there has been
" an increase of malarial disease in the Muddy River
" Valley of late. We wish to call your attention to the
" desirability of enforcing upon the Contractor who
" is doing the excavation the necessity of completing
" the work within the time specified. We think
" it might even be desirable to pass a resolution
" offering him a compensation for each day that
" may elapse after an earlier completion of the
" work, until the date specified. It is obviously
" desirable to avoid any suspicion of disease arising
" in consequence of the operations of the Department.
" We have called the attention of the Brookline
" Park Commissioners to the same matter.

" Yours truly, F. L. & J. C. Olmsted."

and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer notify the contractors on the Parkway Muddy River that on account of the possibility of danger to health of residents of the neighborhood from the turning up of the soil in warm weather they will be held to a strict fulfillment of their contracts within the time specified.

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The following was received.

"Circular No. 80. To the Heads of Departments.

"Gentlemen:- You are hereby directed to allow "the men in the employ of the City residing in "Ward 7 sufficient time to vote at the special election "for a representative to the General Court from "said Ward, without loss of pay, on February 3. "1891. N. Matthews, Jr. Mayor."

"January 28. 1891." and it was

Voted that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to allow the men two hours as usual if residents of Ward 7.

Geo. F. Clarke. Sec'y.

Boston, February 6. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present mess. Livermore, Penno and Walker. also present, mess. Jackson, Howe & J.C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Mr. Chas. Burnham came before the Board to confer in regard to his claim for damages.

Mr. Patrick Noonan offered to take one dollar per foot in settlement for his lot on Downer Street and the Commissioners offered him 50 cts. per foot.

Mr Jackson presented a plan of a proposed bulkhead at Marine Park to support the filling which is contracted for. He said that Mr. Perkins offered to do the work for $ 47000. He further said that on the bases of a contract lately made by the city for similar work the cost could be thirty seven hundred and sixty dollars. It was

Voted, that the City Engineer advertise for bids to be received and opened Friday February 13th.

A certificate of Walker & Peel that John French

is entitled to a first payment of $3,000 in conformity with his contract of October 23. 1890 being received it was

Voted, that there be allowed and paid to John Brand the sum of three thousand dollars for work done and materials furnished under his contract dated October 23, 1890, for Women's Lavatory Building Charlesbank; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Construction.

The Chairman stated that he had received the following letter from the Mayor, and had requested the City Engineer to submit an estimate of the cost of filling the area designated for a play ground on the plan made by Mr. Olmsted dated October 20. 1890, a proposal for the sale of which to the City was received from the owners January 2. 1891.

"City of Boston. Office of the Mayor. Feby. 2. 1891.
"Gentlemen: I am requested by an order of the
"Common Council, passed on January 29th to have
"you report to me" the advisability and probable
"cost of filling in that part of South Bay, between
"Atwell Street and New York and New England
"Railroad, and Boston Street, with the object of
"using the said location for a playground".
"Upon the receipt of your report on this
"matter I will forward the same to the Common
"Council. Yours truly, N. Matthews Jr. Mayor.
"To the Board of Park Commissioners."

The Chairman stated that he had received the following letter from the Mayor, and had requested the City Engineer to submit an estimate of the cost of filling the area designated for a play ground

(This record previously written.)

After adjournment the Board waited upon the Mayor.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, February 13. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present messrs Sivemore, Sohmo and Walker.
Also present mess, Olmsted, Jackson and Howe

The record of the last meeting was read & approved

The following bids were received and opened in the presence of the bidders and a representative of the Mayor's office.

Proposals for extension of 2 Street Bulkhead.

Perkins & White. Boston. $11,985.
Wm. L. Miller. " 5.85[illegible].

The bid of Perkins & White was accepted & it was Voted, that the contract for building a bulkhead on 2 Street extension South Boston be awarded to Perkins and White and that the amount of bonds required be fixed at $1600.

Subsequently mess. Perkins & White offered the following names for bondsmen and the last two were accepted.

"Boston Feb. 13th '91"

"To the Board of Park Commissioners. City of Boston.

"Gentlemen: We could respectfully name as bondsmen "for contract for bulkhead at Marine Park in the "sum of $1600.

"P. F. Mc. Donald, Iron dealer, #151 Pearl St. Boston,
"Jos. P. Emond, Carriage builder 2113 Washg. St. Roxbury
"Lyman D. Willcutt, Builder 164 Devonshire St. Boston,
"Jos. L. Perkins, Engineer. 38 School St. Boston.
"To be chosen in the order named by our preference,
"Very respectfully, Perkins & White."

Messrs Frank K. Foster, Frank Thompson and John F. O'Sullivan representing a Committee of labor organizations appeared before the Board to ask for the use of a part of Franklin Park for the purpose of holding an eight hour meeting on May 1st. At the request of the Board the application was put in writing as follows:

"Boston, Feb. 13. 1891. To the Park Commissioners

" of Boston: The undersigned, representing a
" joint Committee of the Boston Central Labor Union
" and the Massachusetts Branch of the American
" Federation of Labor, appointed for the purpose,
" do hereby make application for the use of such
" a portion of Franklin Park for a public 8 hour
" demonstration on Friday, May 1. 1891, as your
" honorable board may see fit to assign for such
" use on that day. " Frank K. Foster.
Frank Thompson.
John F. O'Sullivan. "

Subsequently the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board sees no reason to depart from the position taken by the Board last year on the question of allowing mass meetings in the parks.

Mr. Albert E. Leach representing the heirs of A. F. Bellows offered to settle their damages for $10.000 subject to the two leases now on the property.

The Commissioners took the offer under consideration. Subsequently the Secretary was directed to consult the City Solicitor as to the advisability of making settlements for the fee subject to outstanding leases at the time of taking.

The City Engineer submitted the following:

" City of Boston. Engineering Department.
" Feb. 13. 1891. Col. F. S. Stevenson, Chm. Bd. of
" Park Commissioners. Sir: The estimated cost
" of filling the proposed playgrounds, and the
" proposed adjoining streets between Boston Street
" and the N. Y. & N. E. R.R. in accordance with
" Mr. Olmsted's plan dated Oct. 20. 1890 as follows:

" Filling playground	620.000 cub. yds. @	$0.50	$ 310.000
" " Road.	136.000 " "	0,50	68.000
			378.000
	Add 10 per cent.		37.800
	Total . .		$ 415.800

" Your respectfully William Jackson, City Engineer."

The Chairman was authorized to submit the

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came to the Mayor, including the offer of the South Bay Improvement Company of January 2. 1891, in reply to the Mayor's letter of Feby. 2. (For letter to Mayor see letter book Vol. 4. page 43.)

Messrs H. D. Bird, Chairman Exc. Com. Dor. Improvement Union. E. Willard of Roxbury Pg. Jun. Assc. Dr. E. J. Mc. Govern of Lower Mill Jun Assc. H. C. Richardson of Neponset, ditto C. Folsom Jr. of Savin Hill, ditto. W. H. West of Neponset, ditto. J. A. Bassett of Harvard, ditto. C. F. Baxter of Central Dorchester, C. F. Kittredge of Old Dorchester came before the Board to advocate the location of parkways in Dorchester, principally to connect Franklin Park and Marine Park by way of Mt. Bowdoin and Savin Hill. They submitted a plan showing several lines of parkways which they deemed desirable and asked for an expression of opinion by the Board as to whether any of the suggestions would receive favorable consideration if submitted in proper form.

The Commissioners thought that if a feasible plan for a parkway from Franklin Park to connect with the parkway already laid out on the South Boston Shore of Old Harbor was presented to them together with a substantial offer of land free of cost that they would be disposed to give the matter favorable consideration. The Commissioners also suggested that they consult with Mr. Olmsted on the details of the proposed route.

The following was received.

" Memorial Gymnasium. Harvard
" College. Cambridge 1/3 91.

" The Honorable Board of Park Commissioners.

" Gentlemen, Can you give me the date of the
" opening of the Charlesbank Gymnasium this coming
" Spring. A great number of Athletes are on the
" waiting list, and have requested me to ascertain
" the date all the boys of the Inter Scholastic Athletic

" Association are going to train there with the
" consent of the Board, Yrs. Respy. John Graham."
and the Secretary was directed to reply that the
Commissioners cannot give a definite answer but
judge that it will be about March 15th.

The following was received.

" City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen Feb. 9. 1891.
" Ordered:- That the Board of Park Commissioners
" be hereby requested to furnish to this Board an
" estimate of the probable cost of the extension of
" Charles River embankment Park from its present
" terminus to the rear of Beacon Street, adjoining
" the Union Boat Club. Passed, Approved by the
" Mayor. February 11. 1891. A true copy. Attest:
" John T. Priest, Assistant City Clerk."
and the City Engineer was requested to prepare
an estimate of the cost of extending the embankment
as requested by the Aldermen,

The following were received read, and placed on file.
office of the Clerk of Committees, City of Boston,
" In Committee on Parks Department. Feb. 6. 1891.
" Voted: that the Board of Park Commissioners be
" hereby requested to furnish to this Committee, before
" determining the site for the Charlestown park,
" a list of the offers of land received by them for
" said park, giving the location, area and price
" stated in each case. Attd: Jas. L. Millard Clk of Com^ee"

" Boston, Society of Natural History.
February 11. 1891. " Mr. Geo. F. Clarke: Secretary
of Board of Park Commissioners: Dear Sir:

" Recognizing the importance of the step it was
" taking and the need of a general public support,
" the Natural History Society has carefully consid-
" ered how it could best enlarge its sphere and
" still maintain its integrity. It has, in accordance
" with this feeling, remodelled its fundamental rules,
" and opened the way for a new class of members.
" Certain privileges will be offered to citizens who

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"will join this class of members, and it is expected
"that a large and generous response to this call will
"testify to the earnest support of the public. The
"Society has also created a special Board of Directors
"to have entire control of the Gardens, subject, however
"to the general supervision of the Council of the Society
"which may at any time call for special reports.
"These Directors will regularly make an annual
"public report to the Society at its Annual Meeting
"in May, which will be printed and distributed
"to all members. Arrangements are now being
"perfected to raise the fund necessary to begin the
"undertaking by the establishment of a Marine
"Aquarium at the Marine Park in South Boston,
"and this part of the work will be rapidly pushed
"in the near future. Very respectfully yours
"J. Walter Fewkes, Clerk."

"Boston February 13. 1891.

"The Park Commissioners.

"City of Boston, Mass. Sirs: I have the
"honor to forward herewith an extract from the
"report of the Harbor Line Board, dated Jany 23.
"1891. defining the harbor lines around Castle Island
"Boston Harbor, Mass. These lines were approved
"by the Secretary of War, Jan.y 29. 1891. A tracing
"on which the lines are delineated is also enclosed.
"Very respectfully your Obd.t Serv.t J. M. Mansfield
"Lieut. Col. of Engineers."

Extract from U. S. Harbor Line Board for Boston Harbor, Mass, dated Jany. 23. 1891

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Pier and Bulkhead Line around Castle Island,
Beginning at a point in the line of the south side
of the reserved Channel, approved by the Secretary
of War, July 27. 1889, prolonged easterly, and
2050 feet from the westerly line of 2 Street South
Boston, the line continued easterly to the north west
corner of the north wharf on Castle Island: thence,

60 feet following the outer face of said wharf: thence southerly 830 feet: thence westerly 575 feet: thence southwesterly 900 feet: thence northwesterly 950 feet, thence, northeasterly 500 feet: thence northwesterly 500 feet: thence, westerly 200 feet: thence northerly 650 feet to the point of beginning, as delineated on the accompanying chart, Sheet C.

The term pier head is applied to lines beyond which no pile structure shall extend, and the term bulkhead to lines bejond which no solid filling shall hereafter be permitted.

Mr. Olmsted submitted plans for the parkway from Jamaica Pond to the Arboretum also a grading plan for Castle Island.

The Chairman was authorized in the name of the Board to invite proposals by advertisement for the sale of the whole or parts of the land for a public park or parks in Charlestown.

The Chairman stated that after the Board on Friday last personally stated to the Mayor that they desire to fix the rate of laborers wages at twenty cents an hour if it would not embarass him or interfere with his plans, he summoned the Chairman before him and stated that he thought $200.000 could be appropriated out of the loan for the year within the debt limit, and that if the Park Commissioners would set their laborers at work now he would make the endeavor to get this appropriation; the Chairman expressed the opinion that the Board would vote to begin work at once if an additional $200.000 were placed at their disposal for the year, and that to day the Mayor again called the Chairman before him and stated that the Finance Committee of the City Council had agreed to recommend the appropriation of $200.000 out of the loan within debt limit for expenditures by the Board this year unless a loan outside the debt limit for park construction should be authorized

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by the Legislature for expenditure this year, under the petition which has been filed by the Mayor, but stipulated that wages should not be reduced below two dollars per day this season and the Mayor requested the Board on this assurance to begin work for the season without delay. He also said that the question whether the rate of wages should be reduced was one that applied to all departments that wages should be reduced in all if in one that he should not like to have it done by the Park Department alone and that he therefore requested the Park Commissioners to continue to pay two dollars per day this year.

After discussion the Board adjourned to Feby. 21 at 2 P.M. and waited upon the Mayor in regard to the subject of the Chairman's communication and thereupon

Voted, to resume work on Franklin Park and in the Back Bay Fens.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston, February 20. 1891.

Mr. Fenno being present in the absence of the other Commissioners he adjourned the meeting to February 27 at 2 P.M. Estimates were received from Mr. Howe of the cost of completing Franklin Park, (on file)

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston February 27. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M. pursuant to adjournment.

Present Mess. Livermore, Fenno and Walker, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe and F.L.Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Proposals for the sale of land for a public park or parks in Charlestown received in accordance with the advertisement of February 13th were publicly opened, read, and taken under advisement,

The following is a summary of the offers

Wm. B. Bacon & Wm. P. Blake, 3 lots on Bunker Hill, and Mystic River for $50.000

Chas. A. Gaild. 86.323 sq. ft. corner of Main and Alford streets for about . . 50.000

Phineas J. Stone & Others. 17 acres marsh & flats at the N. Easterly end of Malden Bridge for ten cents pr. foot for the whole or part.

P. O. Riorden. 7½ acres wharf & flats on Medford opposite Packville st. for 30 cts. per foot.

Mr. C. A. Williams came before the Board in regard to the claim of Thomas Park's Heirs for land damages.

Mr. Donovan came before the Board in the matter of land taken from Jeremiah Donovan. The Commissioners offered him fifty cents per foot for the land and eight hundred dollars for the house or thirty eight hundred dollars.

The following offer was received and declined.

"To the Park Commissioners of Boston. Miss Sarah "A. Brown and heirs will accept $3000 for "their land in South Boston the same property "that is now under consideration by your Board "for Park Improvements. Very resp. Chas. H. Pattee, "Feb. 26. 91 Atty. for S. A. Brown et als."

The following was received.

"Jamaica Plain Mass. Feb. 18. 1891.

"Geo. S. Clarke Esq. Secretary to the Board of Park "Commissioners: Dear Sir:- I will undertake "the work of obtaining the necessary information "and preparing "Allotment Plans" of South Boston "and "Riverdale", the work to be done in connection "with my office at Jamaica Plain, and at "the usual rates as follows: For myself $6.00 a day

Feb. 27. 1891. " for 1st. Asst. (Mr. Bates) $4.00 a day:- for 2d. asst. " $2.00 a day.- Should any other assistance be " required the remuneration to be determined hereafter. " Jaisc agree to have the work completed on or before " April 1st 1892. Very truly yours. J. Edwin Jones."

Mr Jones proposition was accepted and it was

Voted, that J. E. Jones be employed to make the plans and do the work required for the assessment of betterments for South Boston and Muddy River Parkways under the terms of his letter of Feb. 18. 1891.

Mr. Howe submitted estimates of the cost of completing the Parkway from Charles River to Perkins Street. Placed on file. A communication was received from R. P. Owen, City Conveyancer in regard to the division lines between adjoining owners in Old Harbor which was read and placed on file.

The following was received: (circular 51) and the Secretary was directed to prepare a reply.

Voted, that work on the parks proceed as follows: To finish Longwood Entrance in the North side of the Channel.

To finish the Circuit Drive to Columbia street entrance. To finish Glen Lane and walks between it and the Circuit Drive.

To finish the sides drives and paths in the wilderness. To finish grading in Elicottdale To finish walk on Scarboro Hill. To finish Schoolmaster Hill Terrace; to level off Tremont Entrance. To give preference to Longwood Entrance and Circuit Drive.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to move the Stone Crusher in the Back Bay Fens from Westland Entrance to Tremont Entrance.

Voted, that the tenants in the Houses on the Palmer & Stevenson estates adjoining Longwood Avenue be notified to remove on or before April 1st and that the buildings be sold at

public auction on April 7th to be removed on or before April 21st 1891.

Mr. Olmsted presented plans for the parkway between Arnold Arboretum and Franklin Park.

The drawing of numbers for the employment of teams was made in accordance with the advertisement, a large number of owners of teams being present. For numbers drawn see list on file.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston March 6. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore and Fenno. Mr. Walker being absent from the city, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe and F. L. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

The following persons came before the Board in the matter of land damages; Bernard Lyons, Wm. Finneran, Patrick Maney, Frank Mc. Mahan, Peter Brandley, Thomas Fahey.

The Commissioners offered Mr. Lyons $5.000, and Mr. Fahey $2.300. Mr. Finneran offered to settle for $19.000, and Mr. Mahan wanted 2.500 without the house or 2300 with the house.

The Commissioners declined in these or the other cases to increase their former offers.

A hearing was then given to the following persons on the subject of the proposed Charlestown Park.

Mr. E. Gerry Brown, Editor Bunker Hill Times said he was in favor of the Mill Pond site although he has no private interest in the location. The site is fully as accessible as the Hill site although further from the centre. Main Street is broad

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and gives easy approach to the Mill Pond. He thought the time was coming when the changes of population would make the Mill pond site more central. The Hill site would give no return in increased values but this would apply to the Mill Pond location. The property there would be greatly benefited. The location on the river is better, can be easily filled and top soil can be readily taken from the Ten Hills Farm which is being cut down.

Charles E. Story, Real Estate Agent and Auctioneer said he had always been in favor of a park in Charlestown and thought the Tufts Mill Pond the better site. The park on the Hill, although beautiful, would be inaccessible to a great extent. Would prefer a park in the centre of the town, but there being no location suitable the Mill Pond was the most desirable, a large portion is already available and can be put in use at once.

William A. Osgood said he had noticed that Charlestown was pretty well covered with buildings and was deficient in play grounds. The best plan in his view would be to remove a portion of the buildings in the centre of the town otherwise you must go to the water. He thought a play ground more than an ornamental ground the most useful and necessary and the Mill Pond the only location where a level ground could be obtained.

Dr. E. D. Robbins, Councilman, appeared as a citizen of Charlestown not as a member of the Government. The Tufts Mill Pond offered the the best site, one of its principal advantages is that the odors that come from the Mill Pond would be obviated. The Hill site would be difficult to get at. Tufts pond is on a line of cars and will accommodate Somerville which will eventually be a part of Boston. The Chairman asked if he thought the pond was large enough for the purposes of a play ground. He thought

it would be. He thought the land on Medford Street not desirable, being among the coal wharves etc. The land between Main Street and Rutherford Avenue he thought out of the question.

Samuel J. Harris said the Tufts Mill Pond was the one place for a park. It is on the main thoroughfare, is easy of access, and large compared with the rest of Charlestown. He did not see how we can get a larger place and the people do not want to climb a hill to get to a park. He said that a playground was the idea of most of the people of Charlestown and not a park.

George D. Neal said that there was no place for a park in Charlestown; no place to drive and it would be very pleasant if they could have a park to drive in. He understood this to be more a question of a play ground than a park. Thought the Main Street and Rutherford Avenue lot not desirable. It is in a bad quarter with railroads on one side. Thought the Ten Hills Farm would make a good site if a part of Charlestown.

Mr. Arthur W. Tufts spoke in regard to the sewers which were to be taken care of by the New Metropolitan System of Sewerage. Mr. Van Nostrand said that the objection to the Mill pond site owing to the odors from the gas house and Brewery was not well founded, he said that no one was ever made sick by the smell of the Gas House or brewery. He said the smell from Tufts pond caused all the trouble at the neck. He said that in 1880 or 81, he was in the State Senate and got an act that the South Mill Pond be filled. They expected that it would have been taken for a park, he did not see the necessity of making a park in one year. At the Mill Pond location there would be no

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necessity of building a bridge as in the Bunker Hill site in order to make use of the flats.

Alderman Harvey said that he had looked at the matter thoroughly and it was his opinion that the Mill Pond site was the most available and useful. The City ashes can be put in and Mr. Forrestall had said that it can be filled in two years. It abates a nuisance also as the flats are offensive at low tide. He thought the Dehon site out of the question since the action of the United States Board in establishing the Harbor lines. He referred to the large petitions for the Mill Pond site as compared with the petition for the Hill location which was only ten minutes walk from the Mill Pond. The latter site was also accessible from the point through Medford Street.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase an Engineer's transit.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to employ an inspector on the Fen Bridge.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to advertise for curbstones and paving blocks for the Longwood Entrance.

The City Engineer presented estimates of the cost of completing Marine Park and Wood Island Park.:- Placed on file. The following was received.

"Boston, March 5. 1891.

"To the Board of Park Commissioners, Gentlemen:-

"The undersigned would respectfully ask your "board for permission to dump, under there con- "tract for filling at the Marine Park dated Sept. "10th 1890. some of the material to be dredged "from the "East Boston Flats" and also from the "Brewster Spit Bar," which dredging is to be "done under contracts recently let by the United "States Government. "This material, being heavy "clay and gravel is especially good filling for "the outside of the bank. Very Resp'y. Perkins & White."

and the Secretary was directed to inquire of the Harbor and Land Commissioners if compensation would be allowed for such filling.

Dr. H. I. Bryant asked the Board to establish the grade of Charlesgate East from Beacon to the river. and it was

Voted, that the Curbstone grade of Charlesgate East between Beacon street and Charles river be fixed at 17 feet above City base from Beacon Street as far as the main part of Dr. Bryant's house, the inner edge of side walk to be at grade 17. 5

The City Engineer submitted the plans and specifications for the Stony Brook Bridge.

The Engineer in Charge submitted a plan for a change in the men's water closets at the Marine Park Refectory, and the Engineer in Charge was directed to have the changes made according to said plan.

Voted, that the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested to transfer our Department Quarters from 39 Court Street to rooms 507. 508. & 509 in the Exchange Building State Street, which are offered at the same rent which the City now pays.

A letter was sent to the Mayor in response to the request contained in his circular numbered 51 (see Letter Book 4. page 49)

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston March 13, 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P. M. Present Messrs. Livermore and Walker, all having been duly notified, also present Messrs. Kimball, Jackson

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1891. The record of the last meeting was read and approved.
The following persons were before the Board in the matter of land damages: William Gray, Patrick Maney, Thomas Fahey, John Devine, Wm. Finneran and John Garity. Mr. Gray declined the Commissioners offer previously made and said in substance that he would shoot any one who came upon the land to disturb him. The Commissioners offered Mr. Garity $11,100. Mr. Finneran offered to take $15,000, and the house No. 9 Downer Street in which he lives, in settlement of his damages, & it was
Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River belonging to several persons and parties, whereof two certain parcels of land belonged to William Finneran as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said William Finneran the sum of eighteen thousand dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.
Voted, that in addition to the amount awarded to William Finneran he be permitted to take the house No. 9 Downer Street to be removed from the land.
Mr. Peters notified the Board that Mrs. Mc. Mahan would accept the Commissions offer of Twenty three hundred dollars and the house and it was
Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee

certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to the heirs or devisees of Thomas Mc. Mahan, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Margaret Mc. Mahan the sum of two thousand three hundred dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that in addition to the amount awarded to Margaret Mc. Mahan she be permitted to take the house to be removed from the land.

Mr. Lincoln appeared for the Burk Heirs and said that they would take fifty one hundred dollars. They had 6000 feet of land, and the lowest estimate they had had on the house was $1,400 by Mr. Faunce. He also said that the new part of the house cost $1,000. The Commissioners offered to pay at the rate of fifty cents per foot on the land and $1,400 for the house or forty four hundred dollars.

Mr. A. Hook of Charlestown suggested a location for a park in Charlestown in the neighborhood of the Bunker Hill Monument. Of the sites proposed he favored the Mill pond.

Mr. Howe presented estimates of the cost of constructing the parkway in South Boston between Atlantic and 2 Streets, also of constructing the Parkway between Perkins and Eliot Street Jamaica Plain according to the two plans submitted by Mr. Olmsted.

Patrick Mc. Morrow asked if the Board would

March 13. 1891. continue to permit him to occupy the house on the Dabney place at Franklin Park and the Engineer in charge was asked to report whether the advance of the work in the Wilderness would require its removal.

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay to Hannah Burk, sister of Thomas Roberts, deceased, the amount due him on the pay rolls of this Department.

A hearing was given to the owners of teams applying for work on the parks according to notice sent to them as follows:

"City of Boston. Department of Parks.

"As complaints have been made to the Board "that persons not invited by the terms of our advertisement drew lots for employment on Friday, Feb. "27, 1891, we will hear all complaints of this kind "at our office on Friday March 13, 1891, at 3 o'clock "P.M., and will declare forfeited all numbers drawn "by persons who were not owners of teams. Feb. 13, 1891. "For the Board, Thomas L. Livermore Chirman. Boston March 9, 1891.

Mr. John F. Barrick, President of the Association of contracting teamsters of Boston, opened the hearing. He objected to the method of hiring teams by lot, saying that many applicants drawing successful numbers are not in the teaming business and ought not to be given work to the exclusion of those who depend upon that business for a living. The Chairman then read the names of applicants in the order of the numbers drawn. Objection was made to the name of Patrick H. Shaughnessy, but Mr. Shaughnessy produced a bill of sale of his team and his name was allowed to stand.

The name of Henry Karle was objected to by a Mr. Bartlett of Mattapan and Mr. Karle not being present his name was thrown out.

The name of Joseph M. Hicks being objected to.

Mr. M. J. Hicks stated that his son Joseph owned a horse but no cart. The Board thereupon threw out Mr. Hicks's name.

One hundred and forty names were read against no more of which objections were sustained and the hearing was closed.

Ex. Alderman James A. Murphy asked leave to address the Commissioners and stated that the men who own teams condemn the system. He said that they had appealed to the Mayor who promised to give the matter attention as soon as he was relieved from the press of legislature business. Mr. Murphy asked the Board to delay the hiring of teams until the Mayor had considered the matter.

Circular 52 from the Mayor's office was received and the Engineer in Charge was directed to ascertain "the names of all the veterans of the army and navy who are at present employed, and also those that are at present upon the suspended list in this department" and "the cause of each suspension." and report the same to the Board.

The following was received and the City Engineer was requested to prepare such a plan as is called for by the order.

"City of Boston, In Common Council.

"March 5. 1891.

"Ordered, that the Park Commissioners be request-
"ed to submit a report to this Council, with a
"map, showing all lands taken or bonded and if
"taken the names of parties who owned the lands
"before the taking or bonding and the price paid for
"each lot of land or marsh or water privileges be-
"tween Dorchester Avenue and Marine Park, City Point,
"on or before April 15. 1891. Passed in Common Council
"March 5. 1891. A true copy. Attest:- Joseph O'Kane, Clerk
"of the Common Council.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston March 20. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M. Present Mess. Fenno and Walker, Mr. Livermore being absent from the City, also present messrs Olmsted, Jackson, and Howe.

The following proposals were received and opened Mr. McClellan being present from the Mayors office some of the bidders also being present.

Contract and Specifications for Paving Blocks.

Pigeon Hill Granite Co.	Rockport Mass.	$11.00 per thousand
Cape Ann Granite Co.	Gloucester Mass.	55.00 " "
Rockport Granite Co.	Rockport Mass.	52.$\frac{20}{100}$ " "
S. & R. J. Lombard.	219 Rutherford Ave. Charlestown.	44.$\frac{20}{100}$ " "

Contract and Specifications for Curb Stones.

Pigeon Hill Granite Co.	Rockport. Mass.	$1.79 per lineal foot.
Rockport Granite Co.	" "	1.73 " " "
James J. Vernon,	Lanesville Mass.	1.62 " " "
Albert A. Libby & Co.	28 School St. Boston	1.62 " " "
W. E. Fletcher & Co.	West Chelmsford. Mass.	1.53 " " "
Cape Ann Granite Co.	Gloucester. Mass	1.49 " " "

It was

Voted, that the contract for Paving blocks be awarded to S. & R. J. Lombard and that the bond required be fixed at $2,000.

Mr. Lombard presented the names of H. Gove and James J. Vernon for bondsmen which were accepted.

Voted, that the contract for curbstones be awarded to the Cape Ann Granite Company, and that the bond required be fixed at $2,000.

Mr. Laban Pratt and a representative of the Favor Heirs conferred with the Board in regard to a settlement of their damages for land and flats in South Boston taken for the Parkway. They wanted ten cents for the land, and 3 cts. for the flats. The Commissioners asked them to consider 10 cts & 2 cents respectively.

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Mr. John Gavin with his counsel Mr. Albert D.

came before the Board. The Commissioners declined to increase their offer of $11,100.

Mr. Burrage appeared for Mr. Ryan and said that if the Board would fill the remainder of his lot he would accept the Commissioners offer. Mr. Howe estimated the cost from $200. to $275, and the Commissioners agreed to increase their offer $200, rather than fill the land.

Mr. James Cahill offered to settle for $11,800, which was $100, in excess of the Commissioners offer. The offer was accepted and it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to James Cahill, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said James Cahill the sum of Four thousand eight hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Mrs. Roach came before the Board and was offered two thousand dollars.

Mr. Faunce came in for Bernard Lyons and stated that he set the land at sixty cents per foot and the house at $1.50 per foot for each story or $2,227.50 for the house a total of $6,037.50. He thought that $6,000 would be a proper price to pay.

Mrs. Annie M. Wilbur came before the Board to ask what the Commissioners would pay to settle

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her damages for land and stable on the Parkway, South Boston. The Commissioners asked her to make an offer of what she will take and submit it at a subsequent meeting.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to open the Charlesbank Gymnasium on the 30th March and to employ John Graham as Superintendent, for the season only, at the same rate as heretofore.

Mr. Howe reported that the buildings occupied by Mr. Mc. Morrow at Franklin Park do not need to be removed this year on account of the work.

The following being received,

57 Mick Street, Boston, Mass. March 14, 1891.

"Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston,

"Gentlemen: Kindly inform me if you have "yet arrived at a decision in regard to the prop- "osition which I submitted to you some four "weeks since, in behalf of the heirs of A. J. Bellows, "as to the price to be paid them by the City for their "land and flats on Sixth Street, South Boston, in- "cluded in your siegure of April 30, 1890.

"Very truly yours Albert E. Leach."

The Secretary stated that the City Solicitor advised the Board that it cannot safely make a settlement of damages for lands taken while under lease without including the lessees and the Secretary was directed to inform Albert E. Leach of the City Solicitor's opinion.

The following were received read and placed on file

"Office of the Park Commissioners,

"Brookline, Mass., March 14. 1891.

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston,

"Gentlemen; The Park Commissioners of Brookline "are ready to begin work on that portion of the Park- "way lying in the Tonner Street District. If "agreeable to you they will now give notice for the "removal of the buildings standing upon the land, "which by a change of boundary line was transferred

" to Brookline. If however it will suit you better,
" to defer the work at this point for a short period,
" they will cheerfully do so. Also if you are prepared
" to enter upon the work of the construction of the
" culvert under Fremont Street, they will be glad to
" join with you. A vote having been brought to their
" notice that you are ready to build the culvert
" under Bellevue Street, they are ready to unite with
" you in its construction. Very Resp. Yours &c. G. F. Joyce, Clerk."

" Office of the Park Commissioners.
" Brookline, Mass: March 17 1891.

" At Board of Park Commissioners.
" Voted, That we approve of the construction of the
" culvert under Bellevue Street within the limits of
" the City of Boston, the town of Brookline sharing
" with the City equally in the expense, provided our
" Counsel, messrs M. & E. A. Williams, see no objection
" thereto. A true copy. Attest, George F. Joyce, Clerk.
" We see no legal objection to the Brookline Park
" Commissioners agreeing to contribute to the cost of
" construction of a culvert under Bellevue Street simply
" because of the culverts being entirely within the limits
" of the City of Boston. The situation of this culvert
" is in our opinion entirely immaterial.
" March. 18. 1891. M. & E. A. Williams."

" City of Boston.
" In Common Council. March 12. 1891.
" Ordered: That the Park Commissioners be requested
" to put in condition for use, as soon as practicable, the
" ball ground in Wood Island Park, E. Boston.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
" March 16, concurred. Approved by the Mayor March
" 18, 1891. A true copy. Attest: John T. Prince Asst. City Clk.

" City of Boston.
" In Common Council, March 5. 1891.
" Ordered:- That His Honor the Mayor be requested
" to order the heads of all departments to allow all
" employees under them that can be spared a holiday

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" on Evacuation Day, the 17th March. Passed.
" sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen, March 9,
" concurred. A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."
The Board adjourned to Friday March 27th at 2 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston March 27. 1891.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M.
Present Mess. Livermore, Penno and Walker, also present Mess. Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.
The record of the last meeting was read and approved.
Mess. George S. & Charles F. Curtis came before the Board to remonstrate against the line of the Jamaica way from Fremont Street to Perkins Street which if extended as now laid out would take a large area of their property. The Commissioners stated that the taking having been made no change could be considered.
James Coin, Andrew F. Quigley and Peter E. Brandley came before the Board in the matter of their damages for lands taken on Dorner Street.
The Commissioners offered Mr. Brandley $4,000 and the buildings, not including the foundations.
Mr. Quigley offered to settle for $8,000 and interest, which the Commissioners subsequently accepted, & it was
Voted, That Whereas by an act of this Board, passed
April 30. 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Andrew F. Quigley as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Andrew F. Quigley the sum of Eight thousand four hundred and forty dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving

a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said Payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Land.

Mr. Albert D. Boxson, representing John Garrity offered to settle for $ 11.750 and interest which the Commissioners declined.

Mr. Bernard Lyons wanted the Commissioners to pay him $ 6.000, their offer being $5.000.
The Commissioners proposed to divide the difference making it $5.500 and asked Mr. Lyons to take it under consideration.

Thomas Reynolds asked the Board to make him an offer for the small area taken from his estate corner of Fremont and Heath Streets. The Commissioners offered 50 cents per foot with an agreement that the City will assume the betterment.

Mr. Eben Sears renewed his offer to settle for 25 cents per foot and interest, no betterment to be assessed and he to hold his remaining land subject to restrictions, subsequently it was

Voted, to offer Mr. Sears $ 18.352.50 in full to date - no betterment but restrictions to be placed upon remaining land.

Voted, that a notice in the following form be given to all occupants of the buildings on Fremont and Dorchester Streets taken for Park purposes.

City of Boston

Department of Parks. April 7, 1891.

You are hereby notified to vacate, within 30 days from this date, the premises occupied by you at No. Street, in the City of Boston, said premises having been taken by the Board for the purposes of a Public Park, the buildings thereon to be sold at Public Auction, May 8. 1891. Board of

March 27. 1891. Park Commissioners, by Chairman.

Voted, that the Women's Departments at Franklin and Marine Parks be opened April 19th.

Mr. Howe presented estimates of the cost of constructing the Parkway from Jamaica Pond to Franklin Park and of the cost of completing the roads in the Arnold Arboretum. Placed on file.

A letter was addressed to the Board of Aldermen on the cost of the Charles River Embankment. (Letter book 4. p. 62)

Voted, that the buildings on the Dabney and Hunt estates Franklin Park be sold at public auction to be removed and that the Secretary notify the occupants accordingly.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to remove the belvedere from the house at Franklin Park occupied by the Assistant Landscape Gardener.

The following was received

" City of Boston. Engineering Department.
" March 27, 1891. Col. Thomas L. Livermore Chairm.
" Board of Park Commissioners. Sir: In compliance
" with your request the following estimate has been
" made of the cost of the proposed bridge over the outlet
" of Stony Brook.

" Excavation and removal of old work.		$ 500.
" 150 cub. yds. fine hammered stone work	@ 50.	7.500.
" 75 " " rough stone masonry	@ 8.	600.
" 420 " " common brick "	@ 15.	6.300.
" 50 M speckled brick laid	" 85.	4.250.
" 3 " " " moulded laid	@ 100.	300.
" 40 " English glazed brick laid	@ 130.	5.200.
" 700 sq. yds. water proof Covering	@ 2.	1.400.
" 500 lin. ft. Centering	@ 5.	2.500.
"36.000 lbs. iron work	@ 0.05	1.800.
		$ 30.350
" add 10 per cent for Engineering &-		3.035
		$ 33.385.
" Respectfully,	pay	$ 34.000.

" William Jackson, City Engineer." and it was

Voted, that the Chairman address the Mayor on the question of building the bridge over Stony Brook and agree to pay $10.000 towards the cost of the bridge.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, April 3. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore, Fenno, and Walker, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe, and J.C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Mr. Leukhardt with his counsel Mr. Pevey came to confer with the Commissioners in regard to a settlement of his claim for damages. He claimed the land worth $3,500 extra filling required on remaining land $1.000 and damages to fence shrubbery and trees $1.000. * Mr. Sears, after some discussion, agreed to accept the Commissioners offer, but stated that the land was so held that only a quit claim deed could be given and it would be necessary for the Board to authorize the City Solicitor to accept such release. The Board agreed to consult the Solicitor about it.

* See page for offer.

Patrick Fay brought in figures to show that his estate cost him $5.100. The Commissioners offered him $4.900 and interest from date of taking, which he declined. Peter E. Brandler accepted the offer of $4.000 and the buildings made to him at the last meeting, and it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties

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whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Peter E. and Bridget Brandley as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Peter E. and Bridget Brandley the sum of Four thousand dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that in addition to the above award Mr. Brandley be permitted to remove the buildings from the land.

Patrick Maney came before the Board. The offer previously made of $2,000 and the house was changed to $2,145.50 without the house, the area of land having been found to be 3091 sq. feet and Mr. Maney desiring only to remove the shed, Mr Maney accepted the offer & it was

Voted, that, Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Patrick Maney, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Patrick Maney the sum of Two thousand one hundred and forty five $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same. also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that in addition to the above award Mr. Maney be permitted to remove the shed now on the land.

The question of draining the meadow at the Arboretum as desired by Prof. Sargent was brought up by the Chairman, Mr. Olmsted said that the plan also required a change of line of the driveway and the lowering of the grade for about 600 feet in length which would require the removal of the sod for about that length and perhaps the laying of plank to support the road, After some discussion it was

Voted, to adopt Mr. Olmsted's suggestion and that he prepare a profile of the driveway and report at the next meeting.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to negotiate with the contractor for a modification of the contract according to said plan, and report at the next meeting and that he direct the filling now being made to be placed on the new line.

In regard to the request of Perkins & Hibbs for approval of filling dredged from East Boston Flats and the Brewster Spit Bar, Mr. Jackson said that as Mr. Olmsted had made no plan of the pleasure bay showing the depth of water desired he had no information upon which he could base an estimate of the amount of material in the bay available for filling. It was thereupon

Voted, that the Landscape Architects prepare a plan of the pleasure bay giving the depths of water which they deem desirable to obtain over its area and in the vicinity of the Iron Pier.

Mr. Howe reported that the wooden Pier was injured by the Scows being driven upon it by the storm. The City Engineer was directed to notify the contractors to make the repairs necessary, and if they failed to make them, to do the repairs leaving the question of the liability for

April 3. 1891. the cost of the same to be determined hereafter.

The following was received and consideration thereof deferred:

"Boston March 31. 1891.

"To the Park Commissioners, of the City of Boston.

"Gentlemen, Mr. Frederick A. Ridge requests me "to notify you that inasmuch as he had offered "his estate in Jamaica Pond to you at 27,000 dollars "before he had made any earnest enquiry as to its "value, he has not withdrawn that offer, but that "in order that the City should avail of the offer it "must be accepted on or before May 1. 1891. also that "if his offer is not accepted on or before May 1. 1891, "he will feel himself at liberty to decline thereafter to "accept any price less than that which he has since "learned is a fair valuation. Very respectfully yours, Thos. J. Parker"

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, April 8. 1891.

The board of Park Commissioners accompanied by the Mayor, Aldermen Stacey and Sullivan, the City Engineer, Mr. Howe and the Secretary visited the lands in Charlestown offered by the owners for the purposes of a park under the advertisement of the Board.

Upon the return of the Board a special meeting was held, and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge hereafter during the season, employ teams on the public parks in the order of the numbers drawn on February 27. 1891. excepting those that were thrown out at the hearing on March 13. 1891.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, April 10, 1891

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore and Payne all being duly notified, Also present Mess. Jackson and Howe.

The records of the last meeting and special meeting were read and approved. Mr. Codman for messrs Olmsted presented plan and profile of the Arboretum Road to cross the meadow near Centre Street and said that Mr. Sargent had approved the plans.

Mr. Howe reported that he had tried excavating the soil in advance of the filling and found the ground too soft to admit of the work being done in that way. It was thereupon

Voted, that the plan and profile of driveway at the Arboretum, dated April 9th. presented by Mr. Codman in behalf of messrs Olmsted, be approved, and that the Engineer in Charge cause the filling of the road to be made to a minimum possible depth on the plan presented.

Alderman Flood consulted the Board with reference to work which can be done on the Marine Park this year. He also presented the name of George Senter of 568 Fifth Street, So. Boston, a veteran, as an applicant for the position of lamplighter or caretaker at the pier. He said he had an application for position of watchman on file at the Civil Service.

James Coin accepted the Commissioners offer of $1500. and it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to James Coin as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said

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James Cain the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

John Ganity came before the Board, after some discussion the Commissioners offered $4,800 together with the house provided he could remove it within 30 days which he accepted and it it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to John Ganity, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said John Ganity the sum of Forty eight hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs, and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that in addition to the above award Mr. Ganity be permitted to remove the house provided he removes it within thirty days.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Sears had arranged with the City Conveyancer to have such transfer of the property made as would enable him to give a warranty deed, & it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels

of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to John B. Hall and Francis H. Carr, as taken by said act, there be awarded and paid to Eben Sears, assignee of said Carr and of the Executors of the will of said Hall the sum Eighteen thousand three hundred and fifty two $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars upon his giving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants agreements restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of public park deed for the parkway muddy River, also upon his giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in connection of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Thomas Foley and Bartholomew Foley came before the Board in the matter of their damages but no changes were made in the amounts heretofore offered them.

Mr. P. H. Brady asked the Commissioners whether if he bought the house in which he lives at Franklin Park he could have until September in which to remove it to which the Commissioners agreed.

Corporation Counsel Richardson and Superintendent of Streets, Carter, came to consult with the Board in regard to the question as to whether the Street or Park Department should bear the cost of constructing the bridge to cross the new channel of Stony Brook at the Fens.

Mr. Andreas Blume, Brownlow Winchester and Hayden, and R. C. Hutchins for Mrs. Hutchins came before the Board in the matter of damages for the taking of their lands and flats at South Boston.

A telephone message being received from Mr. John Fiddler Jr. stating that he had three pairs of prairie

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Dickens boxed at his store and that he wished to present them to the Commissioners for placing in Franklin Park, it was

Voted, that the Board accepts the prairie Chickens given to the City by Mr. John Fottler, Jr. to be placed in Franklin Park, and tenders its thanks for the same to Mr. Fottler.

On the recommendation of the Engineer in Charge it was

Voted, that the pay of the several assistants in the Engineering force mentioned below be increased as follows:

C. E. Putnam asst. Engineer from $6. pr. day to $6.50 per day.
H. T. Cook " " (in addition to what he is paid by the City Engineer) from $2. per day to 2.50 pr. day
T. J. Murphy. " 2.25 " " to 250 " "
Geo. A. Clough. " 2.25 " " " 250 " "
M. P. Almeida. " 2.00 " " " 2.25 " "
F. W. Jackson. " 2.00 " " " 2.25 " "

also that the pay of Peter Mc. Mannus, Gardener, be increased from $2. to $2.25 per day.

Voted, that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to purchase two water carts upon Competitive bids.

The following was received and consideration of the matter referred to was defered until the next meeting.

"Offices of the Mayor, Apl. 9. 1891.

"To the Board of Park Commissioners. Gentlemen:—

"I have been looking up the assessed values of the "Charlestown lots we looked at yesterday with the "following results:

"The Dehon estates is valued as follows:

	sq. ft.	valuation.
"Hill lot,	168, 839	$33.700
"Railroad lot.	20. 150	5.000
"Flats.	306. 995.	3.000
" Total	495. 984	$41.700.

"The Guild land is assessed in four lots and includes "84. 443 square feet of land valued at $20.000. and "a tannery and two houses valued at $7.700: "total valuation $37.700. The Tufts land is divided "into two lots as near as I can make out; that is to

"pay, that part of it is at which we were looking.
"The lot contains a house on the corner of a wharf
"and Main Street, and comprises 2,752 square
"feet valued at $3,200: and the building on it is
"assessed at $1,300. Total, $4,500. The Mill
"Pond site includes 485,656 square feet which are
"valued at $55,000: and the coal shed, mill and
"sea wall included in this area are valued at
"$5,000. Total, $60,000. I presume that this lot
"includes the wharf on which the shed and mill are
"situated.

"What the people of Charlestown ought to have
"for park purposes seems to be the Dehon lots, Tufts
"lots and the Guild lots; that is to say, the whole
"of the above enumerated property. The assessed
"value of this is as follows:

"Dehon lots.	$41,700
"Guild lots.	37,700
"Tufts lots.	64,500
"Total	$143,900

"I understand that the Dehon and Guild property
"can be bought for a reasonable advance on the
"assessed valuation, say, ten percent. Assuming
"that these could be bought for from $80,000 to
"$90,000 we should have at least $110,000 of the
"appropriation left with which to purchase the Tufts
"land and for construction purposes. Now it seems
"to me that unless the Tufts are unreasonable and ask
"an exhorbitant advance upon the assessed value of
"their property, it would be better to put the bulk of the
"money into the purchase of land, leaving the actual
"construction of at least one of the parks to be provided
"for in the future. If, for instance, the Tufts land
"could be got for $70,000, there would be a total ex-
"penditure for land of about $160,000, leaving $30,000
"unexpended. I should suppose that it would take
"about $10,000 to put the upper part of the Dehon
"lot into condition suitable for a playground and

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"promenade; and we should still have $25.000
"left to devote to filling in the lower part of this
"lot, or the mill pond. Perhaps it would be better
"to spend this money in taking down the buildings on
"the Guild and Tufts land, and put that portion
"of the site into good condition immediately, leaving the rest of the land
"together with the lower part of the
"Delton land to be gradually filled by the City
"Ashes. I submit this as a practical propos-
"tion for your consideration in this matter.

"Yours very truly,

"N. Matthews Jr. Mayor."

The following order referred to the Board by the Committee on Park Department for report, was referred to the Engineer in Charge to Consult the Superintendent of the Gymnasium and report to the Board.

"In Board of Aldermen.

"March 16. 1891

"Ordered that the Park Commissioners be requested
"to place electric or other suitable lights in and around
"the Gymnasium of the Charles River Embankment Park,
"in order that athletes may utilize the Gymnasium evenings.
"In Board of Aldermen March 16. 1891. Passed.
"Sent down for concurrence, H. S. Carrith Chairman".

Endorsement on the back of the above paper.

"City of Boston in Common Council Mch. 19. 1891.
"Referred to Committee on Park Department. Joseph H.
"O'Kane, Clerk of the Common Council."

"Office of the Clerk of Committees City of Boston
"City Hall April 3. 1891.
"Referred to the Park Commissioners for a report as
"to requirements for lighting Gymnasium. By vote
"of Committee on Park Department, James L. Hilliard
Clerk of Committees."

The following was received.

"City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen March 30. 1891.
"Ordered: That the Board of Park Commissioners
"be hereby requested to report to this Board the amount of

" work necessary to be done to complete the Marine Park
" South Boston, and also what part of said work will
" be completed during the present year.
" Passed. A true copy, Attest: John T. Pried Asst City Clk"
and the Secretary was directed to address a letter to
the Board of Aldermen as follows:

Pursuant to your request of March 30 1891. I am
directed to state that the actual cost of completing
the marine Park, according to the plan heretofore ad-
opted, without including the cost of connecting
and improving Castle Island or of the work now
under contract, is $874.000.

Existing contracts require $226.000 to be expen-
ded this year, no action has been taken by this
Board for further work this year.

The following was received.

" City of Boston, In Common Council, March 26. 1891.
" Ordered: That the Park Commissioners be requested
" to report to the City Council the number of teams that
" have been selected for work in the park department for
" the year 1891. the names of the owners of such teams
" and the wards in which said owners reside, also as to the
" advisability of abolishing the system of hiring teams drawn
" by lot: also the names and wards in which all applic-
" ants reside, who applied for work for their teams with
" the residence of every applicant registered and the style
" and number of teams owned by each applicant.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen
" March 30. 1891. Concurred. A true copy Attest
" John T. Pried. Asst City Clerk"

and the Secretary was directed to prepare a
reply giving the information desired and in reply
to question 6 stating that the Board does not think it
advisable to abolish the system of hiring teams by lot.
A report was received from Mr. Howe giving the names etc.
of all veterans employed in the Department & a reply to the
Mayor's circular letter of Mch. 12 (no. 52) was sent to him (see L.B.
4. p. 64.

Geo. F. Clarke Sec.

Boston, April 17, 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M. Present Mess. Sevemore Penno and Walker, also present Mess. Howe and F. L. & J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mrs. Wilbur and her counsel Mr. Bassletine came to confer in regard to a settlement of her damages for the taking of land and stable property at South Boston. She offered to take $5,000. The Commissioners offered $3,000. with the understanding that the stable could remain in its present position projecting over the line of the parkway until the progress of the work in the judgement of the Commissioners requires its removal.

This offer was subsequently declined and Mrs. Wilbur's offer reduced to $4,000.

Mrs Nyhan and her daughter asked the Commissioners if they may be allowed to remove the house on to the remainder of their lot and the Board took the matter under advisement.

Mr. Wm. Finneran acting for another person wanted to buy the Decker House on Downer Street for $300. for immediate removal. The Commissioners suggested that the occupants had until May 7th in which to vacate and that Mr. Finneran should see them in regard to their vacating earlier before the Commissioners could consider the sale and removal of the house before that time.

Mr. Moses Williams asked if the Board would sell the Mrs. McKeon house to her at private sale, He said that she was so ill that it was a question whether she could be safely moved and he presented a letter from Dr. Cutts in regard to the case. He also said that the excitement attendent upon the sale of the house by auction might be fatal and that if she were allowed to buy the house now it

would relieve her mind of much anxiety. The Board took the matter under consideration.

City Solicitor Bailey and Mr. Pigelow of Charlestown came before the Board to advocate the taking of the land on Main street and Rutherford avenue running from Middlesex Street to Hovey Avenue, now covered for the most part with wooden buildings, and assessed for about $140.000. In this connection Mr. Bailey said that the clause in the bill in regard to construction after paying for the lands taken was only incidental to the other purpose, and that it was not intended that any substantial part of the cost of constructing any park laid out under the act should be provided by the bill.

Mr. Shaw reported bids received for water carts as follows. Abbott Downing Co. $250 Miller Knoblock Wagon Co. $265. and it was

Voted, that the purchasing Agent see Mr. Soden in regard to the water carts of the Miller Knoblock Wagon Co. in use at East Boston and, if satisfactory accounts were given, to purchase the carts of said Company.

Mr. Olmsted presented a new plan and profile of the driveway at the Arboretum. He suggested that the soil might be excavated and the filling be deposited in a narrow strip of the roadway to such minimum depth as was practicable and hereafter distributed on the remaining width of road and it was

Voted, that the plan and profile, dated April 16 1891, presented by Mr. Olmsted be adopted.

Mr. Howe reported that there were about 600 lineal feet of plank seats at Marine Park and it was

Voted: that the Engineer in charge be authorized to make 300 additional seats.

Mr. Howe reported that the Superintendent of the Charles bank Gymnasium had stated that the lighting and Keeping open the Gymnasium in the

April 17. 1891. evening would require additional help and that he thought it was not advisable to do it this year. Mr. Howe was directed to look into the matter of lighting Glen Lane with naptha lamps.

Voted that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to make a requisition upon the Civil Service Commissioners for the certification of the name of John M. Field for the position of care taker at the Marine Park Pier

Voted, that John M. Field be appointed care taker at the Marine Park Pier to take effect April 19th.

Voted, that the Secretary make a requisition upon the Civil Service Commissioners for the certification of the names of James J. Pruden. Asa F. Crocker. John Mc Glinn. Geo W. Taylor Benj. O. Low. Francis M. Dolle. Jeremiah Mc. Craith John A. Philbrook. Patrick St. Hardy Eugene W. Ayers. John F. Norcott. Geo. Riley Timothy DeCourcey. John E. Rees. for positions upon the Park Police for six months service from May 1st.

Voted, that Patrick Mc. Morrow be given until June 1st, to remove from the Dabney house and that the auctioneer sell the house subject to said right.

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Mr. Howe reported that the Tower at Franklin was not dangerous as it was kept closed. He had given orders to fill the cellars and other places reported as dangerous by the Sergeant of police. Mr. Howe requested authority to purchase about 150 feet of curbstone for Charlesbank & it was Voted that he be so authorized.

The question of providing more settees at Charlesbank was referred to the Landscape Architect & Engineer in charge with authority to make provisions for placing about 50 additional settees on the grounds.

The Engineer in Charge was authorized to

prepare specifications and advertise for proposals for laying new sidewalks at Charlesbank.

The Landscape Architects were requested to examine and report upon the piles proposed for the Charlestown park

A communication from Mary J. Brennan asking permission to take trees in the Back Bay Fens was received and it was

Voted that the request be granted and that the Secretary issue a permit accordingly.

A communication from Choate Burnham in regard to his property on ninth street taken April 30th 1890 for park purposes was received, read and placed on file.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston April 24. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2. P.M. Present Mess. Livermore & Fenno, Mr. Walker being absent from the City, also present Mess. Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Alderman Regan came before the Board in the interest of some of the residents of Dorner and Fremont streets who do not accept the offers made by the Board in settlement for their properties.

Mr. Thomas Reynolds asked the Board to increase its offer to him to $1.00 per foot without betterments, subsequently it was

Voted, that the Secretary notify Mr Reynolds that the Board does not alter its offer.

Mrs. Burk and her son with their counsel Mr. Mr. Lincoln also John Devine and Patrick Gray came before the Board but no changes were made

April 24. 1891. in the offers heretofore made to them.

Mr. Thos Fahey came before the Board. He said his buildings cost him 2.750. The Commissioners offered Mr. Fahey $3460. He to take the buildings or $3600. without the buildings.

The Commissioners offered Hannah Martin $3245. and John Martin $621. Mr Albert C. Bunage for Mr. Nyhan accepted the offer of $4727. and the house and asked that the house be sold for Mr. Nyhan's account. It was thereupon.

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30. 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Daniel Nyhan as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Daniel Nyhan the sum of forty seven hundred and twenty seven dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of public park deed for the parkway Muddy River, also upon this giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs, and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that in addition to the above award Mr. Nyhan be authorized to take the whole of the house to be sold with the other buildings at auction May 8th.

The following being received

First Division.

(Form No. 10.a) Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Office of Civil Service Commission, 5 Pemberton Square

Boston, April 23. 1891.

" To the Park Commissioners, Boston, Mass.
" In compliance with your requisition, dated Apl. 17, 1891 I hereby certify to you the following.
No. 87 James J. Rowden. No. 89 Asa F. Crocker
" No. 78- John Mc. Glinn. No. 95 Jeremiah McCraith.
" No 83. George H. Taylor. No. 96 John E. Philbrook,
" No 90. Benj O. Low. No 99 Patrick H. Hardy.
" No. 94 Francis M. Doble. No. 100 Eugene H. Ayers,
" honorably discharged veterans of the war of the rebellion, for appointment as Park Policemen in the Park Department they having complied with all the requirements of the law.
" Please make return of their appointments on the inclosed blanks. Yours respectfully Warren P. Dudley, Secy.

" Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
" Office of Civil Service Commission,
" 5 Pemberton square, Boston, Apl. 23, 1891
" To the Park Commissioners, Boston, Mass.
" In compliance with your requisition dated Apl. 17, 1891, I hereby certify to you John F. Norcott of " Boston Mass. an honorably discharged veteran of " the war of the rebellion, for appointment as Park " Policeman in the Park Department, he having " complied with all the requirements of the law.
" Please make return of his appointment on " the inclosed blanks.
" Yours respectfully, Warren P. Dudley Secy.

it was Voted, that James J. Rowden, Francis M. Doble, Asa F. Crocker, Jeremiah McCraith, John Mc. Glinn, John E. Philbrook, George H. Taylor, Patrick H. Hardy, Benjamin O. Low, Eugene H. Ayers, and John F. Norcott, be appointed Park Police officers to serve from May 1st to Nov. 1st and that the Secretary notify the Civil Service Commissioner of said appointments.

Voted, that Park Police officer George Kelley be transfered at his request from the rolls as janitor at the Shelter to the Park Police roll

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for six months service from May 1st to November 1st and that the Secretary notify the Civil Service Commissioners of said appointment.

Voted, that John M. Field care taker at the Marine Park pier be appointed a park police officer in connection with his said position but without pay as such police officer.

Mr. Howe presented the following estimate

Office of City Engineer. City Hall. Boston, April 23 1891.

Col. Thomas L. Livermore, Chairman Board of Park Commissioners. Dear Sir:, I estimate the cost of lighting Glen Road and Glen Lane at Franklin Park as follows, The prices are those given me by the lamp department, I have estimated on oil and naptha lamps 100 feet apart and electrics 300 feet apart.

	Oil.	Naptha.	Electric.
Post.	$ 10.00	$ 10.00	$ 10.00
Head.	1.50	1.50	
Extension top.			30.00
Lantern.	5.00	5.00	
Lamp.	.25	4.50	
Labor	5.00	5.00	10.00
cost per post.	21.75	26.00	$ 50.00
45 oil or Naptha lamps	$ 978.75	$ 1170.	
15 Electric Lamps.			750.00
Maintenance per year	$ 185.35	$ 1171.35	$ 2190.00

(Signed) E. W. Howe Asst. Engr: and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase oil lamps and posts for lighting Glen Road and Glen Lane,

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase 40.000 paving blocks for Franklin Park and to see if the price can be made the same as under the contract now in force.

Voted that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase stone for the Crusher at the Back Bay Fens not exceeding $ 2.000. in amount.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Jacob Edwards desired to take twenty five or thirty loads of loam from the land taken from him and was willing to pay for it. The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Edwards, that the Commissioners do not feel at liberty to sell the loam.

The Secretary stated that Mr. M. D. Ross wanted the brush cleared up adjoining his place and the boundary line staked out, and the Engineer in Charge was directed to act accordingly.

Mr. Horr presented a survey of the Benkin Hill site for a park in Charlestown and Mess. Olmsted were requested to study its possible development for a play ground and report thereon. with the Department

The Secretary stated that Mess. Olmsted's engagement had expired April 1st 1891. and that Mr. Olmsted desired a renewal of the engagement for three years to include Mr. Henry S. Codman now associated with them under the firm name of F. L. Olmsted & Co. and it was

Voted, that the late engagement of the Department with messrs F. L. & J. C. Olmsted as Landscape Architects Advisory be continued for three years from April 1, 1891 and be so modified that it shall include Mr. Henry S. Codman now associated with them under the firm name of F. L. Olmsted & Co. provided that they accept the same in writing.

Voted, that the arrangement made with Mr. H. L. Fischer to serve as assistant Landscape Gardener to the Park Department for three years from November 1st 1887 at a salary of $2,200. per annum, the use of a house and an allowance of $200. per year towards the expense of his horse, he to devote his entire time to said service, be herewith extended for three years from November 1st 1890. provided that he agrees to said extension of his Contract in writing.

An application was received from D. H. Waldron to hold a series of picnics at Franklin Park for two weeks beginning July 7th and it was

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Voted, that the application of D. H. Waldron to hold a series of picnics for poor people at Franklin Park during two weeks beginning July 7th be granted under the direction of the Sergeant of Police subject to the park ordinances and no public speaking to be permitted.

The following was received:

"Boston Lunatic Hospital.
Boston, April 20. 1891.

"To the Park Commissioners, Gentlemen; I hereby "request permission as in former years to pasture "about twenty cows from Austin farm on a portion "of the Park land adjoining at the corner of "Canterbury and Morton Streets Very Respy. J. W. Fisher. "Superintendant," and it was,

Voted, that the request of Supt. Fisher be granted under the direction of the Engineer in Charge

The following was received:

"Clerk of Committees Department
City of Boston, City Hall Apl. 20. 1891.

"To the Board of Park Commissions.

"Gentlemen: I am directed by the Committee on Park "Department to inquire of you whether the cafe "at Marine park has been leased, and if so, for "what rent and for what length of time? Respy Yours "James L. Hillard, Clerk of Committee."

and the Secretary was directed to report that it was leased last year for $ 600. until May 1. 1891

Adjourned to April 30th 2. P. M.

Geo. F. Clarke
Sec'y

Boston, April 30, 1891.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2 P.M. Present Mess. Livermore, Sohns & Walker, also present Mess Olmsted & Storrow.

On motion of Mr. Walker it was

Voted, that meetings hereafter during the summer be held on the first and third Fridays in the month at 2.30. P.M.

Supert. Allen of the Lamp Department came before the Board in regard to the lighting of Glen Lane which he said could be done by his Department at less cost to the City than by this Department, and that he was willing to undertake the work if requested. It was thereupon

Voted - that a letter be sent to the Supt. of Lamps stating that Whereas Glen Lane, although to remain under the control of this Board, is thrown open to unrestricted traffic, and that he is requested to light the same with oil lamps, if he deems it to be for the public interest.

A representative of the Standard Sugar Refinery came before the Board and offered to settle for land taken for the Parkway So. Boston, for 15 cents per foot, no betterments and restrictions to be placed on remaining lands. The Commissioners offered 11 6/10 cts. as paid for adjoining lands which was accepted and it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30. 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to the Standard Sugar Refinery as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Standard Sugar Refinery the sum of Two thousand two hundred and forty-one + 23/100 dollars upon its

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proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for this park-way, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Bernard Lyons came before the Board and offered to settle for $5,500. if the Commissioners would give him the house which the Commissioners agreed to & it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30. 1890 a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River belonging to several persons & parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Bernard Lyons as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Bernard Lyons the sum of Five thousand five hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that in addition to the above award, Mr. Lyons be permitted to take the house.

John Crane, Thomas Talbot, & Margaret Roach, came before the Board but no changes were made in the offers heretofore made to them. Mrs. Roach however accepted the offer made to her of $2.000 and the house, and it was — — — — —

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30. 1890, a public Park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Margaret Roach as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Margaret Roach the sum of Two thousand dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that in addition to the above award Mrs. Roach be permitted to take the house.

An offer of fifty cts per foot or $ 4.50 was made to Patrick Barrett for 14 sq. ft. of land taken from him for the Parkway, Muddy River.

Mr. Nols also came before the Board & an offer of 40 cts. per foot was made for land of Catherine Nols.

Voted, that John E. Ness and Timothy De Courcy be appointed Park Police Officers to serve from May 1st to November 1st and that the Secretary notify the Civil Service Commissioners of said appointments.

Mr. Olmsted presented a plan for a play ground on the Bunker Hill site Charlestown and Mr. Howe reported that it would cost about $ 15.000. to Construct the playground according to Mr. Olmsted's plan.

After some discussion it was

Voted, that an offer of $ 70.000 be made to Arthur N. and Nathan Tufts for the mill pond property in Charlestown for Park purposes being the

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premises shown on a plan copied April 25. 1891. by Garbett & Wood, surveyors, with additions, said premises to be granted not subject to leases.

Voted, that an offer of $47.125 be made to Charles H. Guild for the tannery property in Charlestown offered by him for park purposes in his letter of April 25. 1891.

" The following was received

" Arnold Arboretum, Harvard University

" Director's office, Brookline Mass. April 28. 1891.

Dictated.

" My dear Sir: Refering to our conversation
" of this morning I beg to remind you of your
" suggestion to secure at once a detailed working
" plan for the proposed Avenue in the Arboretum leading
" from the road now in in course of construction
" to what may be called the southeast entrance
" of the Arboretum on the proposed park way.

Yours very truly,

" Col. Thos. L. Livermore, C. S. Sargent.
" Pres't of Board of Park Com. Boston, Mass. "

Voted, that the Landscape Architects in connection with the City Engineer prepare working plans for the drive in the Arboretum leading from the road now in course of construction to the proposed entrance from South Street near Morton Street, also for continuing the main drive to Centre Street.

Voted, that as soon as a sufficient appropriation is made the City Engineer in conjunction with the town of Brookline be authorized to advertise for bids for the building of the culvert across Fremont Street at Downer Street; and also advertise for bids for the excavating and filling in of the Downer Street section of the Parkway.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to construct such bulkhead on the Parkway near Hopkinson Avenue, as he may think necessary to hold the

filling, at a cost not to exceed $ 5.000.
At his suggestion Mr Howe was authorized to purchase the 40.000 paving blocks required for Franklin Park at the present rate, and the Purchasing Agent was authorized to sell the wood at Franklin Park.
The Secretary was directed to address a letter to the Board of Police stating that in the opinion of the Board it is important that the city police should be represented in force at the sale of the houses on Downer Street to preserve the public peace, in view of the large number of buildings to be sold, and to request that such provision be made as will avoid a disturbance,
Voted, that the Board of Police be requested to grant the Park Police officers keys of the Patrol boxes in order to enable them to telephone for assistance or for the Police ambulance in cases of necessity
Mr. Howe presented an estimate of the difference of cost of building the parkway South Boston through Estate of Rhoda Burnham by lines inside and outside of Burnham's Wharf, which was read and placed on file.
The following was received read & placed on file.

"City of Boston, In Common Council.
"April 23. 1891.

"Ordered, that the Park Commissioners inform
" the Common Council at the next meeting
" why they have not complied with this
" Council's request of March 5. 1891. asking
" for information which is important to this
" body. Passed in Common Council April 23.
" 1891. A true Copy. Attest:- Joseph O'Kane,
" Clerk of the Common Council."

Adjourned to Monday May 4. at 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston May 4. 1891.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M. Present Mess. Livermore, Walker and Kendricken also present Mess. Jackson & Howe.

A certificate of the appointment of Paul H Kendricken to be a park Commissioner for three years from May 1st having been received and Mr. Kendricken having qualified, the Board re-organized by the choice of Thomas L. Livermore, Chairman, Francis A. Walker, Chairman pro tem. and George F. Clarke Secretary for the ensuing year

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to approve drafts and bills.

Voted, that the Chairman pro tem. be authorized to approve drafts and bills in the absence of the Chairman.

Voted, that Mr. Kendricken be authorized to approve drafts and bills in the absence of the Chairman and of the Chairman pro-tem.

Voted, that Chairman be authorized to make a special draft in favor of the Heliotype Printing Co. for $567.22 for plans and heliotypes for annual Report.

John Crane, Thomas Fahey, and Bartholomew Hickey came before the Board, no change was made in the offers heretofore made to them, subsequently Mr. Crane accepted the offer made to him and it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to John Crane as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said John Crane the sum of Five thousand dollars upon his proving

title thereto and giving a deed for the same; also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Rev. E. W. Waldron asked by note whether the restriction against public speaking contained in the permission to hold picnics at Franklin Park prohibited the asking a blessing or having an entertainment by some such man as Prof. Mohr or John Thomas and the Secretary was directed to reply that the restriction does not prohibit the asking a blessing or having an entertainment of the kind mentioned. A communication addressed to Mr Livermore was received from Mr. H. K. W. Browne asking permission to select a piece of pudding stone large enough to use as the head-stone of a grave in Forest Hills Cemetery from what was the Thomas Place in Franklin Park it being the former home of his wife's mother for whose grave the stone is intended. The Engineer-in-Chief was directed to comply with the request if it can be done without injury to the park.

The following being received

" Boston Architectural Club. May 2nd 91.
No 6 Hamilton Place.

" To the Honorable Park Commissioners.

" I herein request the privilege of making
" Sketches from the reserved grounds in the
" City Parks. If the permit might cover one
" or two fellow artists or pupils, I would be duly grate-
" full. Very Respectfully, George R. Dean
6 Hamilton Place"

it was
Voted, that the request be granted under the

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direction of the Sergeant of Police.

The following was received and placed on file

" 1st. of May, 1891.

" Mr. George F. Clarke, Sec'y. of the Board of

" Commissioners of Public Parks of the City of Boston,

" Dear Sir:- We have received your notification

" of our appointment as Landscape Architects

" Advisory to your Board, with the same duties and

" on the same conditions and terms with the previous

" appointments of F. L. & J. C. Olmsted. This is to

" advise you of our acceptance of the appointment.

" Yours Respectfully. Frederick Law Olmsted,

John C. Olmsted

Henry Sargent Codman."

constituting the firm of F. L. Olmsted & Co."

Adjourned to Friday May 8. at 2.30 P. M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

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An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 53 State St. at 2.30 P. M. Present Mess. Livermore Walker and Hendricken, also present Mess. Olmsted, Jackson and Horne, and His Honor the Mayor. Mess. Chas. H. Guild and Arthur W. Tufts came before the Board in regard to the proposed purchase or taking of their lands for a park in Charlestown. Mr. Guild accepted the offer of the Commissioners of $ 47.125 for his property. Mr. Tufts declined to accept the offer of $ 70.000 made by the Commissioners and stated that the area upon which that offer was based was incorrect that the estate contained 548.800 square feet instead of 485.656 square feet as given by the assessors. The Commissioners thereupon offered to increase their offer by as much as the increased area would figure at the same rate or assuming

the area given by Mr. Tufts to be correct an increase of $7,000 making a total of $82,000, Mr. Tufts however declined to accept this offer.

The Commissioners thereupon estimated the damages of taking sundry lands in Charlestown for a public park as follows,

Charles H. Guild . . . $47,125
Arthur W. & Nathan Tufts . . 34,500

and passed the following act of taking:

City of Boston,

In Board of Park Commissioners May 8, 1891. Whereas the undersigned duly appointed and qualified as the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston by virtue of and according to the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "an act for the laying out of public parks in or near the City of Boston," being Chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1875, deem it desirable to take the following described parcels of land for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act and in Chapters 271 and 444 of the acts of the year 1890. Now therefore, we the said Board of Park Commissioners by the authority conferred upon us by the said act and by the City Council of said City of Boston which has made the appropriation necessary to cover the estimated expenses of our action in the premises, have taken and hereby do take and locate as and for a public park the following described parcels of land, situated in that part of the City of Boston called Charlestown namely:

A parcel of land belonging to Charles H. Guild bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the corner of Main and Alford streets and running northeasterly on said Alford Street 339.69 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Arthur W. and Nathan Tufts,

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thence running southeasterly by two lines on said land described as taken from Arthur W. and Nathan Tufts 298.72 feet and 41.40 feet to a passage way; thence running southwesterly on said passage way by three lines, 55.4 feet, 76 feet and 64.29 feet to other land hereinafter described as taken from Arthur W. and Nathan Tufts, thence running northwesterly and southwesterly on said last mentioned land, by two lines 43.59 feet and 60.87 feet to said Main Street; thence running northwesterly on said Main Street 224.35 feet to the point of beginning containing 86,323 square feet more or less.

A parcel of land and flats belonging to Arthur W. and Nathan Tufts bounded and described as follows, beginning at a point on Alford Street distant 339 61/100 feet northeasterly from Main Street at land hereinbefore described as taken from Charles H. Guild and running northeasterly on said Alford Street 874.08 feet to the bottom line of the northeasterly seawall of Tufts Mill Pond so called, thence running southeasterly by said bottom line of said seawall 804.8 feet to the corner of the seawall of said Mill pond at the bottom, thence running southwesterly along the bottom line of said seawall of said mill pond and by a line in continuation thereof 1034 feet all on other land of said Arthur W. and Nathan Tufts to a point in line with the extension of the northwesterly line of land now or formerly of W. Rice: thence running southwesterly by said last mentioned line on said land of Arthur W. and Nathan Tufts and of said Rice 144.76 feet to said Main Street: thence running northwesterly on said Main Street 84.24 feet to said land hereinbefore described as taken from Charles H. Guild, thence running northeasterly 60.87 feet and southeasterly 43.59 feet on said last mentioned land to the northwesterly line of a passage way: thence running northeasterly by three lines on said land described as taken from Charles H. Guild 64.29

feet. 76 feet and 55. 4 feet, thence running northwesterly on said last mentioned land by two lines 41. 4 and 298. 72 feet to the point of beginning containing 546. 017 square feet more or less, together with all the flats appurtenant thereto lying northeasterly of said parcel herein last described and between Alford Street and the southeasterly line of said Mill Pond extended northeasterly to the channel of Mystic River, estimated to contain 4 acres said parcels being shown on a plan of the same entitled "Plan of land in the City of Boston, Massachusetts, taken May 8. 1891. for a park, under Chapter 185 of the acts of 1875." drawn by Thomas Doane, Civil Engineer, dated May 8. 1891 and to be recorded herewith. (Signed) Thos. L. Livermore. Francis A. Walker. Paul H. Kendricken. } The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board passed May 8th 1891, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in the Charlestown district belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Charles A. Guild as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Charles A. Guild the sum of forty-seven thousand one hundred and twenty-five dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks, Charlestown.

The Commissioners discussed with the Mayor the plans for the work to be done this year on the public parks, under the special loan for lands and construction of $3,500,000 authorized by the Legislature and now before the City Council, which if the appropriation

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passed should be immediately entered upon.

A memorandum of the proposed work amounting in the aggregate to $448.200 follows:

Castle Island Bridge.	38.400	
Loam for Marine Park. 1st st. to Pier.	60.000	
Roads & Walks. . .	28.000	126.400
Franklin Park (circuit drive)	65.200	
Paths on Seaver St. & Blue Hill avenue	11.000	
Wilderness.	20.000	
Glen Lane.	9.000	105.200
Arnold Arboretum.		
Sub-Grading Roads.	13.600	
Surfacing Walter St road	13.500	27.100
Muddy River.		
Loam from Basin 5.	30.000	
Cut & fill Dorner St. Section.	20.000	
Culvert under Fremont St.	15.000	65.000.
Back Bay Fens.		
Bridge over Stony Brook.	34.000	
Finish Longwood Entrance.	10.000	
Planting etc.	3.000	
Wall at Brookline Avenue	12.000	
Finish Fens (in part)	25.000	
Filling .	12.500	
Planting.	15.000	111.500
Wood Island Park.		
Surfacing paths. .		13.000
		$ 448.200

Mr. Olmsted presented the following;

To the Park Commissioners, Gentlemen,

The Executive Committee of the Mass. Emergency and Hygiene Ass. after several interviews with Mr. Olmsted and Dr. Sargent respectfully lays before you the following outline of their plans in regard to Charles Bank of which we understand through Mr. Olmsted you would like us to take charge.

1. We should wish to have our position towards you clearly defined by you.

2. In assuming charge we should request of you that for the present the Women's Gymnasium should not be open on Sundays, and that the rest of the grounds should be used on Sundays as well as on week-days.

3. We should ask you to furnish stove, fuel, gas, soap, towels, &c & whatever is necessary to keep such articles supplied free of expense to us. Also that the towels should be washed, the room cleaned and the grounds taken care of each day.

4. After a second consultation with Dr. Sargent we consider it important to urgently represent to you the necessity of putting at least some kind of low fence with a gate round the Women's Gymnasium because thereby,

(a.) Our Superintendent can control the entrance of all those wishing to exercise, otherwise it would be impossible for her to prevent any sudden jumping upon the appliances, by those who for one or another reason should not use them.

(b) Also only by such enclosure can the use of the gymnasium on Sundays be prevented. The boys gymnasium is so protected and as girls are harder to manage than boys we cannot maintain necessary order and freedom from accident without such protection.

5) We should also like to make a rule that all using the apparatus should provide themselves with gymnasium dresses. This is done already in Working Girls Clubs at an expense of under fifty cents to each wearer. If such restrictions lessens the number practising at first we are sure that in the end all will be gainers.

6) We should request that the age of admission to the gymnasium be limited to girls over nine and that no boys of any age be admitted.

7) We should request that the Womans part of Charles Bank should be opened from 8. a.m. till an

May 8. 1891. half hour after sunset and that when it is raining the gymnasium should be closed. (again the gate is necessary)

8) We should like to employ a superintendent who should probably be the teacher of the gymnastic apparatus, a matron, who should be a Kindergartner a house Woman to take Charge beside the counter of the House, and a little errand girl. We think that by careful planning these four could alternate with each other, so that there should seldom be a time when there were not three employes on hand.

10) We should like to have the Superintendent and the Matron given police authority in case of sudden trouble before the park police could arrive.

Also that the park police should give as much time as he could to us and that we should be at liberty to call upon him.

11) We should request that notices be printed or posted in Charles Bank limiting our liability in case of accident or loss of property or money. We consider this essential as it is more than possible that in case of accident especially from use of gymnastic apparatus our Association might be sued. (12) We have appointed a committee to take charge of the Womans part of the Charles Bank in case you decide we should assume it. The Committee consists of Miss Ellen M. Tower who for years has been Chairman of the Summer Playgrounds, of Miss Phillips, Dr. Sargent Mr. Charles Fry and myself. All our plans have been laid in consultation with Dr. Sargent who permits me to add that he cordially approves of them, especially in relation to the gymnasium.

We are desirous to make as few mistakes as possible. We realize how novel is the attempt to create an out door playground, creche, and gymnasium and we trust that sufficiently liberty shall be guaranteed us to allow of such small changes as

may seem best.

We would advise, if we may, that the opening of the place be delayed until all is ready, but we should confidently expect that by the last of May everything would be in readiness.

Respectfully yours, Kate Gannett Wells.
For the Committee.

May 6. 423 Boylston St. and it was

Voted, that the proposition of the Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene association made through its Executive Committee, be approved and adopted: and that the Secretary in consultation with the City Corporation Counsel, prepare the necessary papers to carry out the proposed arrangement with said Association to enable it to assume the charge and management of the Womens Gymnasium and Children's Playground at Charlesbank.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge make the necessary arrangements to keep open the mens Gymnasium until half past nine for one months trial.

Mr. Olmsted submitted plans for a shelter for the Children's playground prepared by Walker & Kimball Architects under his direction and it was

Voted, that the plans for a shelter to be placed on the Childrens Playground at Charlesbank presented by Mr. Olmsted, be approved and that the Architects be requested to obtain estimates of cost for building the same and report to the Board.

Voted, that the City Engineer examine the peat meadow lying easterly of Blue Hill Avenue near Talbot Avenue with a view of developing it for a pond to be connected with Franklin Park.

The Secretary stated that the vote allowing John Gavity to remove the house from the land taken

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for the Parkway Muddy River under the terms of the settlement made with him provided that it should be removed within 30 days which time would expire on Sunday May 10th and that the Sgt. of Police had stated that no movement had been made towards complying with the restriction under the vote. The Secretary was thereupon directed to notify John Garrity on Monday through the Sergeant of Police that having failed to remove the house within 30 days as required by the vote of the Board he no longer has a right to remove it.

Voted, that Joseph S Perry, Janitor at the Shelter at Franklin Park, and Frederick B. Miller boatman at Charlestank be appointed Park Police Officers to serve in connection with their present employment but without pay as such police officers.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Fahey had accepted the commissioners offer of $34 60 & the buildings & it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890 a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Thomas Fahey as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Thomas Fahey the sum of three thousand four hundred and sixty dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

Voted, that in addition to the above award Mr. Fahey be permitted to remove the buildings

from the land.

"The following were received & placed on file.

"First Division A (Form No. 10a.)

"Commonwealth of Massachusetts

"Office of Civil Service Commission.

5 Pemberton Square Boston May 5. 1891.

"To the Park Commissioners, Boston Mass.

"In compliance with your requisition dated "April 17, 1891, I hereby certify to you Geo. Riley "of Boston an honorably discharged veteran of "the war of the rebellion, for appointment as Park "Policeman in the Park Department, he having "complied with all the requirements of the law. "Please make return of his appointment on the "inclosed blank.

"Yours respectfully, Warren P. Dudley, Secy."

"Office of Civil Service Commission,

"5 Pemberton Square, Boston May 5. 1891.

"To the Park Commissioners. Boston Mass.

"In compliance with your requisition dated "April 30. 1891. I hereby certify to you Timothy "De Coursey of Boston an honorably discharged "Veteran of the war of the rebellion for appointment "as Park Policeman in the Park Department "he having complied with all the requirements of "the law. Please make return of his appointment "on the inclosed blank.

"Yours respectfully, Warren P. Dudley Secretary."

"John E. Ness is not on our eligible list and "therefore cannot be certified."

Boston May 9, 1891.

The following was received and placed on file

"Boston May 9, 1891

"Office of Civil Service Commission

"To the Park Commissioners

"Boston, Mass, In compliance with "your requisition dated April 30. 1891.

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" hereby certify to John E. Ness of 19 K Street
" So Boston" an honorably discharged veteran
" of the war of the rebellion, for appointment
" as Park policeman in the Park Department
" he having complied with all the requirements
" of the law.
" Please make return of his appointment on
" the enclosed blanks.
" Yours respectfully Warren P. Dudley, Esq.
" Mr. Ness filed his application to day.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston May 22. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 p.m. Present Mess Walker & Kendrichen, Mr. Livermore being absent from the City. also present Mess E. W. Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Mr. John Garrity with his attorney Aaron A. Latham appeared before the Board. Mr. Latham claimed that his client had been wronged by the refusal of the Board to allow him to take his house because he should have been given as much time as others with whom similar settlements had been made. He also claimed that Mr. Garrity had been notified before 30 days had expired, subsequently it was

Voted, that John Garrity be allowed to take the house on Downer Street formerly owned by him within 30 days provided he pays the City $350. within five days.

Mrs. E. K. Page, (now Mrs. J. V. Courtmarche) came before the Board to ask for the pay which was due Mr. Page at the time of his death. & which she claimed for the use & benefit of the children who were being cared for by her sister

Mrs. A. W. Coffin in Malden. It was thereupon
Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to
pay to Mrs E. K. Page for the benefit of the Chil-
dren of E. K. Page deceased the amount due
him on the pay rolls of this Department pro-
vided that Mrs. Page (now Mrs. J. F. Courtmanche
and Mrs. A. W. Coffin who now has the care
of the children agree in writing that the said
amount shall be expended for the benefit
of said Children.

A hearing was given to a large delegation of citizens of Charlestown who represented a Committee appointed at a meeting of citizens held in Monument Hall on Tuesday evening May 19. 1891. to protest against the selection of the Mill Pond site for a park in Charlestown;

The following Resolutions were also presented:
At a mass meeting of the citizens of the Charlestown District held at Monument Hall Tuesday Evening May 19. 1891. the following resolutions were read and adopted.

Resolved That this meeting condemn the action of the Park Commissioners in selecting the Mill Pond Site for a public park for this district as being an unfit place it being locating so far away from the centre of the district that it is of no real benefit to the larger portion of its residents.

Resolved That we the citizens in mass meeting assembled demand a more central and healthy location: if we are to have a park, we want one free from the odors of the Mystic River Flats, Gas House and many other objectionable and obnoxious features which surround the site proposed to be selected.

Resolved, That if we cannot have a Park, such as is desired by a larger portion of the people it would be as well to be without

May 22. one. Messrs. James E. Hayes, Quigley of
1891. Ward 3, Houghton, Ex Alderman Donovan
John Donnegan and Councilman Mahoney
addressed the Board. (A report of the hearing
as printed in the Boston Daily Globe of may
23 will be found on file) Subsequently it was
Voted, that the offer of Wm. P. Bacon and Wm.
P. Blake to sell to the City for park purposes
the William Dehon land on Parker Hill
Quincy and Medford Streets and extending to
the Channel of Mystic River for $50.000 be
accepted
and the Secretary was directed to notify them
accordingly. It was also
Voted, to postpone the execution of the taking of
the Tufts Mill Pond property until a future
meeting.

Mr. Frank Malinowski accompanied by Mr.
A. C. Goodale Jr. came before the Board to
present the petition of said Malinowski for
permission to set up and operate by steam
power a revolving machine called a "Carrousel"
or "Flying Horses" at Franklin Park the coming
season. He also presented a photograph of
the machine and a letter of recommendation from
the Mayor of Salem and others.

The Board took the matter under advisement and
the papers were placed on file.

The Secretary stated that he had consulted
the Corporation Counsel in regard to the proposition
of the Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Associa-
tion to assume charge of the Women's Gymnasium
and the childrens playground at Charlesbank, and
that it had been concluded that the proper way
to effect the purpose was by a series of rules, cover-
ing the points set out in the communication of the
Association to be passed by the Commissioners under
their power to govern & Regulate the public parks

and the use thereof and to make rules for the use and government thereof and to affix penalties for breaches of such rules.

The Secretary also presented a series of Rules which he had prepared with the assistance of Mess. Olmsted, and it was

Voted, that the following rules under the title of Regulations be adopted for the use and Government of the Charlesbank Gymnasium for Women and Playground for Children

City of Boston
Department of Parks.

Charlesbank Gymnasium for Women and Playground for Children.

Regulations.

1. The Women's Gymnasium and the Children's Playground shall be under the immediate charge and direction of a Superintendent, a Matron and other assistants to be appointed by the Park Commissioners upon the nomination of the Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Association, which shall have general management of the same.

2. The Superintendent and the Matron shall hold police warants empowering them to make arrests and to enforce the Park Rules and Regulations.

3. The Superintendent is responsible for the maintenance of order and decorum, and for the exercise of discretion and civility in all use to be made of the Gymnasium. Her authority corresponds with her responsibility. No one is to enter the Gymnasium when forbidden by her; no one is to remain in it when desired by her to leave it. Report may be made to the Park Commissioners whenever the Superintendent is thought to have used her authority unjustly, but her authority is not to be resisted or

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impugned by visitors on the ground.

4. All persons using the Women's Gymnasium and the Children's Play ground do so at their own risk. Neither the Park Commissioners, nor the Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Association, nor any member thereof, shall be liable for any personal property lost or stolen on the premises, nor for any injury to any person incurred in the use of the Women's Gymnasium and the Children's Play-ground.

5. The Women's Gymnasium and the Children's Play ground shall be open from 8. A. M. till a half hour after sunset daily, except that the use of the Gymnastic apparatus shall not be permitted, on Sundays, or when the weather is unsuitable.

6. The use of the Gymnasium is limited to women and to girls over nine years of age.

7. No one is to occupy the Gymnasium except while making use of some of its apparatus for exercise, or while waiting opportunity to do so or for a reasonable breathing time between exercises.

8. No person is to use the apparatus unless provided with a suitable dress for gymnastic exercise.

9 No person is to use any piece of the apparatus to the exclusion of another person beyond a reasonable time. In cases of dispute, the Superintendent will decide what is a reasonable time.

10 No person is to engage in dangerous exercises. If the Superintendent judges any form of exercise by any person to be dangerous, it is to be so considered and refrained from by that person.

11. No part of the apparatus is to be put to other than its proper use, or to be used with excessive violence.

12. In any use of the track, the right side of the person is to be kept towards the fence.

13. Skipping ropes, quoits, poles and all other de-

tached apparatus, after any use of them, are to be placed by their users in the boxes and racks provided for them.

The regulations above recited for the use of the Charlesbank Gymnasium, for Women and Playground for Children are hereby made ordinances of the Department of Parks. All persons offending against them will be subject to a fine not exceeding twenty dollars, and will forfeit their right to the use of the Ground for the season.

The following communication from the Association was then read.

"Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Association.

"To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners

"Gentlemen: If it meets with your approval we should like to appoint Miss Elizabeth M.C. Martin, a pupil of Dr. Sargent's, Superintendent of the Women's part of Charles Park; Miss Rosa Doyle, Miss Garland's assistant for 6 years in her Kindergarten - Matron; - Miss Maria Dall of Boston, but who is now studying in the Country House Woman; - and Mary Butler of Hanover Street errand girl. We have not received a definate answer from Miss Dall. If she should decline may we appoint some one else in her place subject to your approval when your next meeting is held, that we may open June 1. 12. M. We are very desirous to begin then that those of us who are in town through June may personally superintend the work every day. Respectfully yours.

"Kate Gannett Wells, For the Com."

and it was

Voted; that Elizabeth Mc. Martin be appointed Superintendent of the Women's Gymnasium and the Children's Play-ground at Charlesbank.

May 22. 1891. Voted, That Rosa Doyle be appointed Matron, Maria Dall, House Woman and Mary Butler, errand girl of the Women's Gymnasium and the Children's playground at Charlesbank.

Voted, that Elizabeth Mc. Martin and Rosa Doyle be appointed Park Police officers, in connection with their respective positions as Superintendent and Matron of the Charlesbank Gymnasium for Women and Playground for Children but without pay as such Police Officers.

The following was received

"190 Dorchester Street.
Boston May 14, 1891.

"Mr. George R. Clarke.
"Secy, Park Commissioners. Dear Sir.
"I herewith return plan of taking for Park Driveway, also send estimate of damages or valuations for the same. I think that it would be well to have the areas revised I am satisfied that there are several material discrepancies, but just how much or what were the correct figures I could not determine without investigation. I am very respectfully
"Henry W. Wilson."

"190 Dorchester St.
"Boston May 21. 1891.

"My dear Sir. As this is the time for fixing up such matters at City Hall, I herewith enclose my bill for services as agreed, Trusting that every thing was as satisfactory as could be expected I remain very truly yours.
"Geo. R. Clarke Esq, "Henry W. Wilson."
"Clerk Park Commrs. Boston." and it was

Voted, that there be allowed and paid to Henry W. Wilson for services in appraisal of estates at South Boston taken for the Parkway the sum of two hundred dollars, and that the Chairman make a request on the City Auditor

for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

A communication was received from the City Engineer enclosing form of contract specifications and advertisement for building the Stony Brook bridge at the Fens, which were approved, & it was

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to advertise for such proposals: the bids to be received and opened June 19. 1891. It was also

Voted that the City Engineer be authorized to advertise for proposals for building a retaining wall and culvert at the Longwood entrance of the Fens.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to do the work at Franklin Park set forth in the memmorandum adopted at the last meeting.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to complete the grading of the upland and surface the paths at Wood Island Park at an estimated expense of $13.000.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to arrange with the contractor for subgrading the road at Arnold Arboretum so as to include in his present contract the subgrading of the remainder of the road now under construction.

Voted, that the City Engineer be requested to prepare plans for a temporary wooden bridge to connect the shore end of Marine Park with Castle Island.

A communication was received from C. H. Walker enclosing bids from J. French of $1.245. and from Charles H. Blodgett of $870. for building the shelter for the Children's Playground at Charlesbank and advising the acceptance of the latter, and it was

May 22. 1891. Voted, that the bid of Charles H. Blodgett for building a Shelter at Charlestown for the sum of $870. be accepted.

The following was received:

"Office of Park Commissioners,
Brookline Mass. May 12, 1891.

"To the Park Commissioners, Boston. Gentlemen I am desired by the Brookline Commissioners to enquire if you are ready to unite with them in laying the track to basin No. 5 of the Boston Water Works for the hauling in of loam.

Very respectfully yours George F. Fayerweather Clerk."

and it was

Voted, that the Board join with the Brookline Park Commissioners in building the track to Basin 5 Ashland for the purpose of procuring loam for the Parkway on condition that the Boston Water Board secures the right of way

The following was received.

"The "Charlesgate" May 12. '91

"To the Park Commissioners. Gentlemen, Under your permit I ask permission to deposit for a limited time some of the lighter materials needed in the construction of the Charlesgate. Our space on Beacon Street is so cramped on account of the closeness of the Street Railroad tracks that our building operations are seriously retarded. We believe this retardation will be a more serious detriment to the Park interests than would a slight extension of the privileges as above asked for.

Respy. yours J. Pickering Putnam."

and it was

Voted, that J. Pickering Putnam, for the owners of the apartment house in building at the corner of Beacon Street & Charlesgate East, be given permission to deposit some of the lighter materials to be used in the process of construction, upon the easterly side of Charlesgate East, not exceeding the limit

of one third of the width of the roadway, upon the condition of his giving a bond of indemnity in the usual terms to save the City harmless from loss, or damage sustained by any person or by the City owing to such use of Charlesgate East upon the further condition that he maintain the usual barries, to be guarded also by lights at night.

The following was received:

"Lowell, Mass. May 19. 1891.

"To the Board of Park Commissions, Boston,

"Gentlemen; The past winter was so unusually severe that I could not put in the timber foundation for the Fenn Bridge as I expected to do, and consequently I find it necessary to ask for an extension of time in which to complete the bridge.

"If you will kindly extend the time to July 15th you will greatly oblige, Yours truly, Wm. H. Ward."

and it was

Voted, that the limit of time under the contract with Wm. H. Ward for building the Fen Bridge be extended to July 15th.

The following being received:

"Engineering Department, May 20. 1891.

"Genl. Francis A. Walker,

"Chm. protem, Board of Park Commissioner.

"Sir: I enclose a request of Perkins & White to deposit gravel dredged at Brewster Slip on the area covered by their contract for filling at Marine Park - with a copy of permission from the Harbor & Land Commissioners. I recommend that their request be granted, Yours respectfully

"William Jackson, City Engineer.

"Beacon Street, Boston, Mass. 20. 1891.

"To the Board of Park Commissioners of Boston

"Gentlemen, We enclose copy of permission given by the Mass. Harbor and Land Commissioners to A. R. Wright to deposit gravel dredged

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"at Brewster Spit on area covered by our contract for Park filling, the only condition being your written consent. We would respectfully ask that, if it meets with your approval, you would be kind enough to give us your consent in writing. Very respectfully, Perkins & White"

"Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Harbor and Land Commissioners' Office,
Commonwealth Building, 68 Bowdoin Street.
Boston, May 1. 1891.

"Permission is hereby given to Augustus R Wright to deposite the shingle, gravel and sand dredged by him from the West end of Brewster Spit" in execution of his contract with Lt. Col. S. M. Mansfield, corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, dated December 5. 1890, upon that portion of the area of the "Marine Park" at South Boston Point, which is now in process of filling under a contract of Perkins and White with the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, subject, however to the approval or consent of said Board of Park Commissioners first obtained in writing.

"John E. Sanford } Harbor and
"Chas. A. Stoveland } Land Commissioners,

"a true copy, (signed) S. M. Mansfield.
"Lt. Col. of Engineers,"

It was

Voted, that permission is hereby given to Augustus R. Wright to deposit the shingle, gravel and sand dredged by him from the West end of Brewster Spit in execution of his contract with Lt. Col. S. M. Mansfield, corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, dated December 5, 1890. upon that portion of the area of the "Marine Park" at South Boston Point, which is now in process of filling under a contract of Perkins & White with the City of Boston,

The following being received:

"90 Westland Ave. Boston, May 13th. 91.

"To the Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners.
Dear Sir: I desire permission for myself and class of four pupils to enter reserved portions of Back Bay Fens, for the purpose of sketching the various picturesque objects, always with a due regard for the plants and so forth.
"Respectfully, Walter Gilman Page". it was

Voted, that Walter Gilman Page and class of four pupils be given permission to enter the reserved portions of the Fens under the direction of the Sergeant of Police for the purpose of sketching said permission to extend for one year from date.

Communications were received from Everett Torrey, and W. J. Coffey in relation to the Charlestown Park matter which were read and placed on file.

Communications were received from H. L. Walling-ford and Patrick H. Hardy, asking permission for leave of absence on Memorial day, and the Sergeants of Police were authorized to grant leave of absence to such officers as could be spared and had applied for it. The Secretary stated that Sergeant Murphy had recommended on the petition of W. B. Daley for a transfer to Franklin Park from Charlesbank that the request be granted as officer Dailey had been doing night duty for about two years and was now living in the vicinity of Franklin Park, it was thereupon

Voted, that officer Daley be transfered from Charles-bank for duty at Franklin Park and that the Secretary arrange for some one to relieve him.

Voted, that Special Officer P. H. Brady be put in uniform under the usual conditions governing the same.

A communication was received from R. Victor Knüpfer, Gardener at Charlesbank, holding

May 22. 1891. a police warrant for special duty, tendering his resignation as such police officer, & it was Voted, that the resignation be accepted.

The following communications were received read and placed on file

" City of Boston. In Common Council, May 18, 1891.
" Ordered; That the City Treasurer issue, from time to
" time, on the request of the Park Commissioners,
" approved by the Mayor, to the amount of Seven
" hundred thousand dollars in each year, and to the
" total amount of three million five hundred thousand
" dollars, certificates of indebtedness payable thirty years
" from their date, and bearing interest at the rate of
" four per cent per annum, to be denominated on
" the face thereof "Public Park Loan".
" And the Board of Park Commissioners is hereby
" authorized to expend the proceeds of said certificates
" for paying for lands which they have heretofore acquir-
" ed, or may hereafter acquire, for the City for public
" parks and for defraying the costs and expenses of
" constructing said parks: but the said commissioners
" shall not purchase or take land exceeding in value,
" as assessed for the year eighteen hundred and ninety,
" one million dollars."
" Ordered, that any premiums or gain ob-
" tained by the Treasurer in the negotiation or sale
" of said certificates of indebtedness shall be paid to
" the Board of Sinking Funds Commissioners for the
" redemption of the debt. Passed, Yeas 57. Nays 4.
" Sent up for Concurrence. In Board of Aldermen
" May 18, concurred. Yeas 10. Nays none.
" Approved by the Mayor May 20. 1891.
" A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest Asst. City Clerk

" City of Boston.

" In Board of Aldermen, May 18. 1891

" Ordered:

" Resolved: That in the opinion of the
" members of this Board, a portion of the money to be

" raised under the Public Park Loan order passed
" this day, should be expended in securing open
" air places in the City to meet the great demand
" that exists for breathing spaces for the people com-
" pelled to live in said City. Passed.
" A true copy. Attest John T. Priest, asst. City Clerk.
" City of Boston, In Common Council,
" April 16th. 1891. Be it ordered that the
" Park Commissioners be requested to allow car
" fare to all laborers employed in Franklin Park.
" City of Boston. In Common Council
" April 16. 1891. Refered to Committee on
" Park Department, Joseph O'Kane, Clerk of
" the Common Council"
" City of Boston. In Common Council
" May 7. 1891. The Committee on Park
" Department, to whom was refered by the Common
" Council the order in regard to allowing employees
" in the Park Department car fare, respectfully
" recommend reference of the same to the Board
" of Park Commissioners. For the Committee, John
" J. Mahoney. Accepted and refered accordingly.
" Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen
" May 11. concurred. A true Copy,
" Attest, John T. Priest Asst. City Clerk.

A petition from Sub. Foreman asking for an in-
crease of salary was received and laid over.

Mr. Samuel Crafts came before the Board in the interest of Bartholomew Hickey to ask consideration of his claim for further damages in money in view of the sale of the House for $500. which under the offer of the Board was to be given to Mr. Hickey in addition to the sum of $3000, and it was

Voted, that the sum of $500. less the costs of the sale of the house be added to to the offer of $3000, previously made to Mr. Hickey.

Voted, that the brick underpinning of the

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houses sold on Downer Street be allowed to go with the houses,

The Chairman stated that Charges had been made to him by Dr. Henry J. Barnes of 429 Beacon Street alleging that there was gross idleness and neglect of duty on the part of the laborers upon the Back Bay Fens, and the Engineer in Charge was directed to make an investigation of the charges and report to the Board

Mr. Olmsted presented a plan of the pleasure bay showing the depths to which he considered it desirable it should be dredged.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston May 23d. 1891.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 11.30 a.m. Present Messrs Walker and Kendricken, Mr. Livermore being absent from the City. In the absence of the Secretary, Charles G. Lawrence was chosen Secretary protem. It was then

Voted, that the following communication be sent to the City Treasurer.

May 23. 1891.

Alfred T. Turney Esq,
City Treasurer. Sir: We hereby request you to issue negotiable Bonds or Certificates of indebtedness to the amount of Seven hundred thousand Dollars as provided in Chap. 301 of the acts of 1891. and in an order of the City Council, approved May 20 1891.

Respectfully
Francis A. Walker
Paul A. Kendricken.
For the Park Commissioners.

see letter book No. 4. page 85.

Chas G. Lawrence, Sec'y pro tem

Boston June 3. 1891.

A Special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 11 A. M. Present Mess. Walker & Kendricken, Mr. Livermore being absent from the City. It was

Voted, that the Secretary obtain the signature of the Mayor to the taking of the Guild Estate & Tufts Mill Pond for park purposes or of the Acting Mayor in case of the continued absence of the mayor, provided that the Corporation Counsel is satisfied that the Acting Mayor has the authority, and that the Secretary file said taking in the Registry of Deeds.

Voted, that the Secretary inquire of the East Boston Company by letter upon what terms the Company will sell to the City for Park purposes the land and flats being easterly of the Boston Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad and between the northerly line of Putnam Street extended parallel with Brooks Street to the Channel and the southerly line of Wood Island Park, said land being known as West Wood Island.

The Chairman stated that he had received a letter from Mrs. Wells, asking for several things necessary for the Womens Gymnasium & at his suggestion it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to erect an awning over the Sand Court, and temporary booths along one side of the Gymnasium

At the suggestion of Mr. Kendricken it was

Voted, That the Engineer in Charge be authorized to erect awnings over some of the settees at both ends of Charlesbank.

Voted, that the Sergeant of Police at Franklin Park be authorized to hire a saddle horse for the season.

Voted, that the Womens Lavatory Building at Charlesbank be insured for $5000. for five

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years from May 28. 1891, at the special rate made by the Liverpool London & Globe Insurance Company for the Charlesbank buildings.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston June 5. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present, Mess. Walker & Kendricken, Mr. Livermore being absent from the City, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe, and H. S. Codman.

The records of the last meeting also special meetings of May 23. & June 3. were read and approved.

Alderman Carruth came before the Board to advocate the taking of lands on Dorchester Avenue and Adams Streets the property of the Whitney and Badlam Heirs as a local park for the Lower Mills part of Dorchester. Mess. Edward Brewer, David Rice and others came before the Board to consult in regard to the line of the Parkway through the Brewer Estate and the lands at the corner of Orchard and Pond streets. Mr. Munroe, Counsel for John Martin also Mr. Blair building mover, and Mess. Devine and Fay came before the Board to ask for an extension of time in which to remove the buildings from Fremont and Dorner Street, The Commissioners thereupon Voted to extend the time for the removal of the buildings on Fremont and Dorner streets, and now within the City Limits, until and including the 18th inst.

Mr. Albert G. Brown came before the Board to show the model of a post for wire fence for park uses, The Board suggested that the proprietors might erect a section of the improved post and fence on Charlesbank for an exhibition of its qualities.

Mr. John C. Watson, President of the East Boston

company, came before the Board in answer to the request for a price at which the Company would sell West Wood Island, and adjoining marsh and flats for Park purposes.

Mr. Watson said that the Company would sell the property indicated in the Commissioner's letter of June 3d. for its assessed valuation or $82,300.

It was subsequently

Voted, that the Landscape Architects report upon the suitableness of West Wood Island for an extension of Wood Island Park, also what modification of plan they would recommend should the Island and intervening marsh be acquired for said purpose.

Voted that the Landscape Architects report the best possible plan for the improvement of the Dunkin Hill Site on the same general plan as that already submitted for a part of said location at an estimated expense not exceeding $15,000.

Mr. Codman presented Mess. Olmsted & Company's plan of proposed laying out of Seaver Street and it was

Voted, that the plan of Seaver Street prepared by Mess. F. L. Olmsted & Co. dated June 1, 1891 be adopted so far as it concerns this Department and that the Board recommends its adoption also by the Committee on Streets and its favorable consideration by the City Council.

Mr. Nolb with his counsel Mr. Forman came before the Board and after some discussion accepted the Commissioners offer of 40 cents per foot for the land in Dorcester Street and it was

Voted, that Whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel

of land belonged to ~~Katherine to~~ Catherine Nolo, as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Catherine Nolo the sum of twelve hundred dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign*

Mr. Patrick Dooley came before the Board in regard to damages for 170.7 sq. feet of land of Patrick & Bridget Dooley taken on Kimball Street and offered to settle for $1.00 pr. foot. The Commissioners accepted the proposition and agreed to pay $170.70 provided he would give the usual parkway deed, including no betterments and restricting the remaining lands to which also Mr. Dooley consented.

It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30. 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Patrick and Bridget Dooley as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Patrick and Bridget Dooley the sum of one hundred and seventy and $\frac{70}{100}$ dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed, for the Parkway Muddy River also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

* a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

The City Engineer stated that the Water Board would pay $2,500. for the dredger which had been used at Back Bay and as there was now no further use for it he recommended that it be sold. Whereupon

Voted, that the offer of the Water Board of $2,500. for the Dredging machine now at Back Bay be accepted payment for the same to be made in the work of constructing the branch track into Basin 5 at Ashland and allowed for in the proportion of said work to be charged to this Department.

Voted, that the City Engineer with the consent of the Mayor be authorized to modify the contract with W. A. Davis so as to include the South Street Entrance at present contract prices and the Centre Street Entrance road at his offer of seven cents per cubic yard more.

Voted, that the City Engineer order the dredging to be done at the Marine Park pleasure bay so as not to exceed 15 feet in depth at mean low water, according to the plan prepared by Mr. Olmsted and submitted at the last meeting of the Board.

Mr. Howe reported that H. Gore & Co. who had paved the gutters and set Edgestones at Franklin Park from time to time as the work had been called for, offered to do similar work at the Fens at the following prices: to pave gutters at 40 cents per square yard and set curbstones at 25 cents per lineal feet, after some discussion the Engineer in Charge was directed to obtain competitive bids for doing said work and report to the Board.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase the Indian Clubs, wands etc. required for the Women's Gymnasium and to inquire further into the question of providing a vaulting bar.

Voted, that the buildings on the Jewell Estate taken

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for park purposes at Charlestown be sold at public auction and that the Secretary arrange with Sullivan Brothers Auctioneers for said sale,

At the suggestion of Mr. Kendricken it was agreed without formal vote that the letter to the City Council dated May 22. transmitting the team lists be sent in the form in which it appears upon the letter book Vol. 4. Page 94

The following was received

Boston June 5. 91.

" To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston,

" Gentlemen: Owing to the unfavorable weather " for doing work on the Muddy River Imp. during " the past winter I am obliged to ask you to extend " the time for the completion of my Contract to " July 1st '91. Respy. Jas. Killian 21 Washington St. Brighton

and it was

Voted, that the time for completing James Killian's Contract on Muddy River be extended to July 1st 1891.

Voted, that the pay of Subforemen in this Department be increased to $3.25 per day.

The following was received

" City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.

June 5. 1891.

" To the Heads of Departments.

" Gentlemen: In the absence " of His Honor the Mayor, I hereby direct you to " allow all employees of the City whose services can be " dispensed with a half holiday, without loss of pay, " on Saturday, June 6th 1891. " Respectfully, " H. S. Leavitt. Acting Mayor."

and the Engineer in Charge was directed to allow the holiday as requested by the mayor.

The following was received

" City Messengers Department.

June 4. 1891.

" To the Board of Park Commissioners. Gentlemen:

"The Common Council have passed a vote re-
"questing me to arrange for a visit of said body
"to the "Park System" sometime during the present
"month. Will you kindly inform me when it
"will be convenient for me to see your Board and
"consult upon the proposed visit, route and other
"matters in connection with this visit, at an early
"day, and oblige. Yours respectfully,
A. H. Peters, City Messenger."

and the Secretary was directed to consult Mr. Peters upon the matter of the proposed visit and to say that the Board has no authority to expend money for the entertainment of the members of the Council.

The following was received read & placed on file

"Board of Police for the City of Boston
"No. 7 Pemberton Square

"In Board of Police. Boston, May 9. 1891.
"It was Voted: To comply with the request
"of the Park Commissioners, to furnish the park
"police officers with Keys to the patrol signal
"boxes, in order to enable them to telephone
"for assistance in cases of necessity.
"a true copy. Attest, Thomas Ryan,"
Clerk.

The following was received

Boston 6/3/91

"Park Commissioners" Gentlemen, The
"Warren Ave. Supt. S.S. expect to have a
"picnic at the Abbotswood Grove, Franklin Park,
"on June 17th 1891 and the Committee are
"in hopes that between now and then Sanitary
"accommodations can be made for the ladies
"and Children. In behalf of the Committee
"Arthur W. Sawyer, Chairman."

and the Secretary was directed to say that the short time intervening will not enable the Commissioners to make such provision as they

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desire, but that the general subject will receive attention with a view of providing such accommodations as may be needed in the future.

Voted, that Mess. Olmsted be requested to report upon the subject of proper facilities at Abbotswood Grove to accommodate picnic parties.

A protest was received from M. Shepard Bolles, Edwin Ford and other residents near Franklin Park complaining of the nuisance caused by the screeching of the Peacocks and asking that they be removed to another part of the park. These communications were referred to the Landscape Architects for report

The following was received.

"Boston 5/27 1891

"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston,

"Gentlemen; As an amateur Photographer, "I respectfully request permission to photograph "in the public parks of the City.

Yours respectfully, T. D. Whitney."

and it was

Voted, that Mr. T. D. Whitney be permitted to photograph in the public parks under the direction of the Sergeant of Police said permission to extend for one year from date.

The following were received:

"Office of the Park Commissioners

"Brookline, Mass. May 28. 1891.

"To the Boston Park Commissioners. Gentlemen:

"Herewith please find a copy of the vote passed by "the Brookline Commissioners Dec. 18th 1890, which "possibly has not been transmitted to you as I have "just heard this morning from Sergeant Murphy "by way of our Police that he has heard nothing "from it. Very Respy yours

George F. Joyce,

Clerk. "

"Office of the Park Commissioners
"Brookline Mass December 18. 1890

"In Board of Park Commissioners,
"Voted, That we accept the suggestion of the Boston
"Park Commissioners in reference to police supervision
"over the Brookline part of the Parkway and propose
"that the cost of the supervision be divided in pro-
"portion to the area in each municipality lying
"between Chestnut Street and St. Mary's Street,
"A true copy, Attest, George F. Joyce, Clerk."
and the proposition of the Brookline Commission-
ers was approved upon the basis proposed in the
vote of that Board.

Voted. that an offer of $25.000 be made to Mr.
Frederic H. Rindge through Mr. Francis
J. Parker for the estate at the corner of Perkins
and Prince Streets subject to the taxes of
1891.

The Secretary stated that he had arranged
to place Officer Philbrook on night duty with
the understanding that if satisfactory he
should be made permanent after Oct. 1st and
the Secretary's action was approved.

The following was received and the
matter referred to the City Solicitor.

"May 29th 1891.

"To the Board of Park Commissioners
" of the City of Boston. Gentlemen: I
"hereby demand of you that you shall forth-
"with deliver to me full and exclusive pos-
"session of the house on Dorner Street, Boston
"bought by me of the City of Boston at auction
"on or about May 8. 1891 as I wish to move said
"house off the City's land. I also notify you and
"said City that I shall hold said City responsible
"to me for all damages which have already
"accrued or which may hereafter accrue in any
"way arising or growing out of the failure of said

June 5. 1891. "city to deliver to me the possession of said "house. Yours very truly, William Jennings, by M. & C. A. Williams, his attorney."

Geo. H. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, June 19, 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.,
Present Mess. Walker & Kendrichen, Mr. Livermore being absent from the City, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe and F. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

The following bids were received and opened, Mr. McClellan from the Mayor's office being present with many of the bidders.

Canvass of bids received June 19. 1891.

Stony Brook Bridge.

Sampson Clark & Co.	$ 37.142
Norcross Brothers.	41.099
Woodbury & Leighton.	44.000
Whidden & Co.	47 990

Retaining Wall & Culvert.

Wm. H. Ward.	$ 6.392

Parkway, Grading, Downer Street

	Richard D. Shanahan	Wm. J. Kelly & Wm. J. O'Hearn.	Augustus Saucier.	John Mc. Bride.	Robert A. Davis.
a. 800 cuyds	25. 200.	25. 200.	24. 192.	24. 192.	28. 224.
b. 7.500 "	29. 2175.	36. 2700.	35. 2625.	32. 2400.	45. 3.375.
c 7.100 " "	29. 2059.	22. 1562.	24½ 1739.50	35. 2485.	30. 2130.
	$ 4434.	$ 4462.	$ 4556.50	$ 5077.	$ 5729

bids were accepted and contracts awarded as follows.

Stony Brook Bridge. Sampson Clark & Co.
Relining Wall & Culvert, Wm. H. Ward.
Parkway Grading. Richard L. Shanahan.

Mr. Charles H. Child came before the Board to ask one months interest on the award of $47,125 made to him May 8th for his land taken for the park in Charlestown owing to the delay in the examination of his title by the Law Department.

He agreed to accept $200. in full for said interest with the understanding that he could agree with his tenant B. P. Lewis that he might continue to occupy the shop on Main street until August 1. by the payment of rent to the City. The Board consented to the latter part of the proposition and referred the matter of interest to the Secretary to inquire of the Law Department as to the facts in the case.

Mr. Francis L. Parker came before the Board and accepted the offer of the Commissioners of $25.000 subject to taxes for 1891. for the Pindge Estate on Perkins and Prince Streets, Jamaica Plain, & it was

Voted, that there be purchased of Frederick H. Pindge for the purposes of a public park a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated on Perkins and Prince Streets in the City of Boston and containing 156 816 square feet, more or less, and that there be paid to the said Frederick H. Pindge the sum of Twenty-five thousand dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor containing the limitation for said purposes, and that the Chairman sign a requisition on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Park Lands.

June 19. 1891. Voted, that the Chairman make a requisition on the Auditor for a special draft in favor of John J. Scully for $1483.43 for pile work on the Parkway Muddy River.

A hearing was given to Jeremiah Mc. Craith on a charge of conduct unbecoming an Officer on June 9th by being intoxicated from the use of liquor while in full uniform which was preferred by Sergt. W. A. Dennis. Mr. Mc. Craith was first heard in his own defense. He admitted that the charge of intoxication was true, but that he was ill at the time and took the liquor thinking that in his condition it would do him some good, that he was not used to it and it affected his head. He said that he had not reported since as he had been very sick with a complication of diseases, and he presented a certificate to that effect from his doctor. He claimed that he seldom drank liquor of any kind and was not a drinking man and said that if the Board would overlook the matter it would not occur again.

Sergt. Dennis stated that Officer Mc. Craith reports for duty at one o'clock but had asked to be excused one hour on the 9th as he wished to go to town to draw his pension on that day, that Officer Thornton had met him when he came on duty and noticed his condition, that he went from School Street to Green Street to get his supper, which it was unusual for him to do, and that when he came back he could not walk straight and was much intoxicated. Had never seen him in liquor before.

Captain Brown of Station 13 stated that at 25 minutes past six on the 9th while on a car on Washington Street his attention was attracted by the action of other passengers to a park police officer in full uniform staggering along the street. Officer Thornton stated that when

Mc. Crailh came on the park for duty at about 2.15 he noticed that he was under the influence of liquor, and that about 5 o'clock he asked to go to dinner, noticed that he had been taking too much liquor but that he could get around.

The hearing was closed and it was

Voted, that in view of the possibility that the result was due in some part to his physical condition, and on account of his previous good conduct the Board take no decisive action, and that Officer Mc. Crailh be informed that in case of a repetition he will be summarily discharged.

Mr. Storey came before the Board as counsel for Geo. H. Spence and offered to settle the claim of his client for land damages for $350, and his incidental claim for all other damages, such as the flooding of his place with water, killing his hens, and breaking up his business for $500.

The Commissioners offered $150. in settlement of all claims which Mr. Story agreed to present to his client, but thought it would not be accepted.

Mr. Jackson presented the plans for a temporary bridge to Castle Island which were approved and the City Engineer was authorized to advertise for bids for building the same.

Voted, that as soon as the title passes to the City the Engineer in Charge be authorized to begin construction on the Dunlop Hill site.

Voted, that the Secretary request the Street Department to fill Neponset Mill Pond with city ashes.

A report was received from Mr. Olmsted upon the representations of Mr. Powles and others that the noise made by the peafowl at Franklin Park is a nuisance recommending that they be transferred to the neighborhood of the Sheepfold until a suitable permanent place is ready for them which was read & placed on file and it was

June 19. 1891. Voted. that the removal of the peacocks temporaily as suggested by Mr. Olmsted be approved.

A report from the Police Department that the public urinal on G Street was in bad condition from water standing on the floor was received through the Board of Health and the Engineer in Charge was directed to attend to it.

A communication was received from J. S. Dean councilman from Ward 14 calling attention to the dirty and neglected condition of the Marine Park Pier and water Closets and suggesting that a man should be kept there all the time to keep the place clean, and that the ordinance in regard to throwing rubbish upon and defiling the parks should be enforced rigidly. The matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge with directions to have the place kept clean as far as possible.

Another communication was received from Mr. Dean calling attention to the urgent need of seats upon the iron pier and suggesting that 100 Philadelphia settees be placed at intervals along the pier, and it was.

Voted, that 100 settees of the usual pattern be procured and placed on the Marine Park Pier.

The following was received:

"Office of the Park Commissioners,

"Duplicate. Brookline, Mass. December 18. 1890.

"At Board of Park Commissioners:

"Voted: That, the Brookline Park Commissioners, "join with the Boston Park Commissioners, in the "expense of laying a track, to Basin No. 5. of the "Boston Water Works in Ashland, for the hauling "of loam for the Parkway: the expense, to be borne in "proportion to the quantity used by each.

"Voted, That, the Chairman be authorized to sign "the agreement on the part of the Brookline Park

" Commissioners, for the payment of Brookline's proportion of the cost of laying a track from the main line of the Boston and Albany Railroad to Basin No. 5 of the Boston Water Works in Brookline for the hauling of loam therefrom, for the Parkway of Boston and Brookline.

" A true copy. Attest. George F. Joyce, Clerk."

and the City Engineer was directed to make arrangements for procuring the loam required for the Parkway and arrange the details of the matter with the Water Board and the Engineer of the Brookline Park Commissioners.

The following was received read and the matter was laid on the table.

" Health Department,

" 12 Beacon Street, Boston, June 10. 1891.

" To the Honorable Board of Aldermen, Gentlemen:-

" In answer to your communication requesting the Board of Health to investigate the sanitary condition of that part of Dorchester in the vicinity of the Mill Pond and Smelt Brook Creek, so called, and to report what action, if any, is necessary to improve the sanitary condition of said district, the Board of Health respectfully reports that the locations in question are in a condition of nuisance which is mitigated by keeping the Creek covered a large portion of the time with tide water.

" This is done by means of a gate in Mill Street, which is opened and closed at frequent intervals during the summer. This nuisance is of a somewhat serious character to the residents in the vicinity and its remedy is to be sought in a comprehensive plan of filling and laying out a water park as was originally contemplated when the City came into possession of this property.

" It is the opinion of this Board that such

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" a plan could best be made and executed
" by the park authorities. Respectfully submitted
" The Board of Health by C. E. Davis Jr. Clerk.
(Endorsement) " City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen,
" June 10. 1891. Refered to Park Commissioners.
" J. M. Galvin, City Clerk."

Mayor's circulars Nos. 55. & 57 were received & it was
Voted that all employes of the Department whose services can be dispensed with be allowed in part compensation for their services, a half holiday without loss of pay on Saturdays beginning June 6. 1891. and ending with Saturday September 26. 1891. and a holiday on June 17. 1891. as requested by the Mayor, Mr. Kendrichen in the absence of the other Commissioners having directed the Engineer in charge to grant the holidays until the meeting of the Board, which action was approved.

Mayor's circular No. 56 was received and the Secretary was directed to furnish the Mayor with the information desired.

A request being received from the City Messenger for permission to give a number of Concerts on the park lands, it was
Voted, that the City Messenger be authorized to give Concerts on the Public Parks as requested in his letter of June 8. 1891.

A request being received from Cora A. Clarke, it was
Voted, that Cora A. Clarke be permitted to collect in the Public parks insect galls, toad stools and other fungi, also plants and weeds not under cultivation which may be of botanical interest and for this purpose to cut sprigs and leaves from the plants as may be necessary to secure the specimens as desired.

Voted, that John Graham Superintendent of the Charlestown Gymnasium be appointed a park police Officer in connection with his present position,

but without pay as such police officer.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge report the expense of placing a water fountain near the entrance to the Refectory and Pier at Marine Park.

The following letter and petitions were received read and placed on file.

"Chairman of the Board of Aldermen.

"City Hall, Boston, June 18, 1891.

"To the Honorable the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston. Gentlemen: I enclose herewith several petitions from the citizens of the southerly end of Dorchester, especially the Lower Mills Village, and also a copy of the action of the Lower Mills Improvement Association and a letter from Dr. James S. Green, the most prominent resident physician of the locality. The petitions, as you will observe, are very numerously signed and represent all classes of population and as I stated to you on the occasion of my being present at your last meeting, the demand for this open air space is very urgent. The population of this locality is mostly composed of the employees in the large chocolate and paper mills and other manufactories, and the tendency for the last five years has been to concentrate population in this locality. Unless some action is taken at once it is very doubtful if any suitable place can again be secured. This particular locality which I have suggested, namely, the property of the Whitney and Badlam heirs is not only in every way suitable being situated in the heart of this village, but it is also in itself a most beautiful natural park with a magnificent growth of trees, none of which are of stump growth but of first growth, filled with beautiful ledges of rocks and adjoining property now owned by the City Hospital and

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"which could be utilized with this for the
"purposes indicated in the petitions enclosed.
"I sincerely trust that your Board will take
"action on this matter at your meeting tomorrow
"as I feel that no action that you could take would
"do more good or accomplish a greater amount of
"pleasure and improvement than the establishment
"of this open air space, or small park. I do not
"think there will be any expensive demands for
"improvements of the property. Nothing more than
"a mere clearing up of some underbrush and ad-
"mission to the grounds, and possibly a policeman
"or two on Sundays to restrain any hoodlum element
"that might be attracted there. Otherwise the place is
"in itself a beautiful park. The feeling of the bulk
"of the population, as expressed to me, is that they
"desire to have it saved, as the chances are
"all in favor of its being cut up into house lots with-
"in a very short time. If that is done, there
"is no other location which can be procured for
"the same price which would be in any degree
"so well located and naturally so beautiful.
"I have the honor to be, gentlemen,
"Very truly yours,
"H. S. Carruth."

"1107 Washington Street Dorchester,
"The Honorable The Board of Park Commissioners.
"Gentlemen: I wish to add to the general
"petition sent from this neighborhood this expression
"of my earnest hope that in your wisdom you
"may secure for this part of Dorchester some
"suitable tract of land for the public purposes in-
"dicated in the petition.
"June 18. 1891. James S. Greene. M. D."

"Milton Lower Mills June 12. 1891.
"To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.
"53 State Street. At a meeting of the Lower Mills
"Improvement Association held on the above date it

" was unanimously voted that this Society heartily
" indorse the petition to your honorable board now
" being circulated praying that you take action
" in regard to acquiring land in this section
" for public purposes. Said land adjoins property
" of the City of Boston on Dorchester Avenue,
" known as the Convalescents Home and lays to
" the south of the city property.

" Yours most respectfully,

" Edward J. McGovern
Secretary."

" To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners.
City of Boston.

" We, the undersigned, residents of that portion
" of Boston, known as Dorchester Lower Mills,
" respectfully petition you to take such action as
" you may deem wise to secure for Public pur-
" poses, the tract of land on Dorchester Avenue
" and Adams Street, adjoining the Convalescent
" Home of the City Hospital. This rapidly
" growing manufacturing district, remote
" from Parks, urgently needs a Play-Ground for
" Youth, a permanent open-air space and Park for
" sanitary reasons, all of which we believe may
" be secured now to the best advantage.

(Signed) " Henry D. Pope and 269 others."

Adjourned to Friday June 26. at 11. A. M.

Geo. H. Clarke.
Sec'y.

Boston June 23 1891.

A special meting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Mess. Walker and Kendrichen, Mr. Livermore being absent from the city also present Mess. F. L. Olmsted and E. H. Howe.

June 23. 1891. Messrs. Sampson Clark & Co. came before the Board in regard to the Stony Brook bridge contract awarded to them.

The names of Thomas W. Carter and George H. Cavanaugh were accepted as bondsmen and the amount of bonds fixed at $13.000. A sample of stone was shown resembling the Milford Granite as called for by the specifications which came from a quarry in Maine owned by the Cape Ann Granite Co. and which Messrs. Sampson Clark & Co. proposed to furnish at the same price as the Milford Granite, if accepted by the Board. The question of substitution was taken under advisement.

The names of George Runals and E. D. Fletcher both of Lowell, were sent in by Wm. H. Ward as bondsmen under his contract for Retaining Wall and Conduit, and were laid over until the next meeting. The amount of bond required for the contract with Wm. H. Ward was fixed at $2.500.

The amount of bond required for the contract with Richard D. Shanahan for grading on the Downer Street section of the Parkway Muddy River road fixed at $1,500.

A communication was received from R. P. Owen, City conveyancer stating that unusual delay had occured in the examination of the Guild title owing to the press of business and recommending the payment of interest as requested by Mr. Guild. It was thereupon

Voted, That the vote of this Board of May 8. 1891. to award and pay to Charles H. Guild the sum of $47.125 for land in Charlestown be rescinded.

Voted, That Whereas by an act of this Board passed May 8. 1891 a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in the Charlestown district, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Charles H. Guild as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid

to the said Charles F. Guild the sum of forty-seven thousand three hundred and twenty five dollars, upon his proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks Charlestown.

A petition was received from Frederic W. Lord & the Mass. Institute of Technology and forty nine others mostly members of schools and athletic clubs, regularly exercising at the Charlesbank Gymnasium setting forth the inconvenience and inadequacy of the present building at the Gymnasium chiefly in respect to the dressing room and bathing facilities, and requesting alterations and improvements in the building to afford more room and additional conveniences for those exercising.

The petition was refered to the Landscape Architects to investigate the matter in consultation with the architects of the building and report to the Board such changes as are deemed advisable.

The Secretary stated that he had prepared with the assistance of the City Conveyancer a description of the Baldwin and Whitney lands in Dorchester which was very imperfect, though sufficient to identify the lands without reference to measurements there being no plan or description of the lands in the Suffolk Registry of Deeds, and that a survey of the boundaries would be necessary to make a plan and complete description of the same, It was thereupon

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to have a survey of the lands made as soon as it is convenient to do so.

June 23. 1891. Voted, that the pay of John J. Lawson be increased from $2.25 to $2.50 per day.

Geo. H. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, June 26. 1891

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 11 A.M. Present Mess. Walker and Kendricken, Mr. Livermore being absent from the City, also present Mess. Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.

Mr. Stillings of Chadwick & Stillings complained that Mr. Putnam's building "The Charlesgate" was two inches wider than the front of his lot on Beacon Street and that besides projecting on to their land a fraction of an inch, it also encroaches upon the Park lands, according to the evidence of a surveyor at a hearing in Court where their case against Putnam was being tried. He further said that the lines of Charlesgate East and West had according to the evidence moved westward from their original position.

He complained of the lack of permanent bounds for the lines of these streets and asked if they would be allowed to similarly encroach upon Charlesgate West in building upon their lands. He also asked that the lines of the streets be fixed by permanent bounds.

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"P. H. Kendricken Esq.

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The Chairman read the following correspondence with the Chairman of the Board of Assessors:

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" Marsh lands 350.000 feet at 5 cents $ 17.500
" Flats 360.000 feet at 1/2 ct. $ 1.800
" Flats - 2.000.000 ft. at 00 1/2 ct. $ 3.000
" Flats. 1.600.000 feet free.
" Total price Charged $ 82.300.
" The above figures are those at which the land
" is appraised for purposes of taxation.
" May I ask your opinion, as that of an
" expert of the highest authority, whether the
" official appraisement in this case, so far repre-
" sents the present commercial value of the land
" as to make it judicious for the Park Commission-
" ers to acquire the property (otherwise deemed
" desirable) at those figures:
" Truly yours " Francis A. Walker,"
" Assessors Office. Boston June 10. 1891.
" Hon. Francis A. Walker,
" Park Commissioner. Dear Sir: In answer
" to yours of the 5th inst. I would say that I have
" verified the figures therein contained - find that
" they are correctly stated and represent the valuation
" of the assessment of 1890. Not being familiar
" with the land I called on Mr. Duane for many
" years our assistant assessor in East Boston - now
" a member of the Street Commission. He was of
" opinion that the assessment represented the value
" of the land. Having confidence in Mr. Duane's
" judgement I do not hesitate to say that I think it
" would be for the interest of the city to acquire the
" property at the assessed value if desirable for Park
" purposes. It seems to me of importance that the
" city, for park and harbor purposes, should own
" the 3.960.000 sq. feet of flats which on your state-
" ment can be secured in connection with the
" other land for $4.800. Absence from my desk

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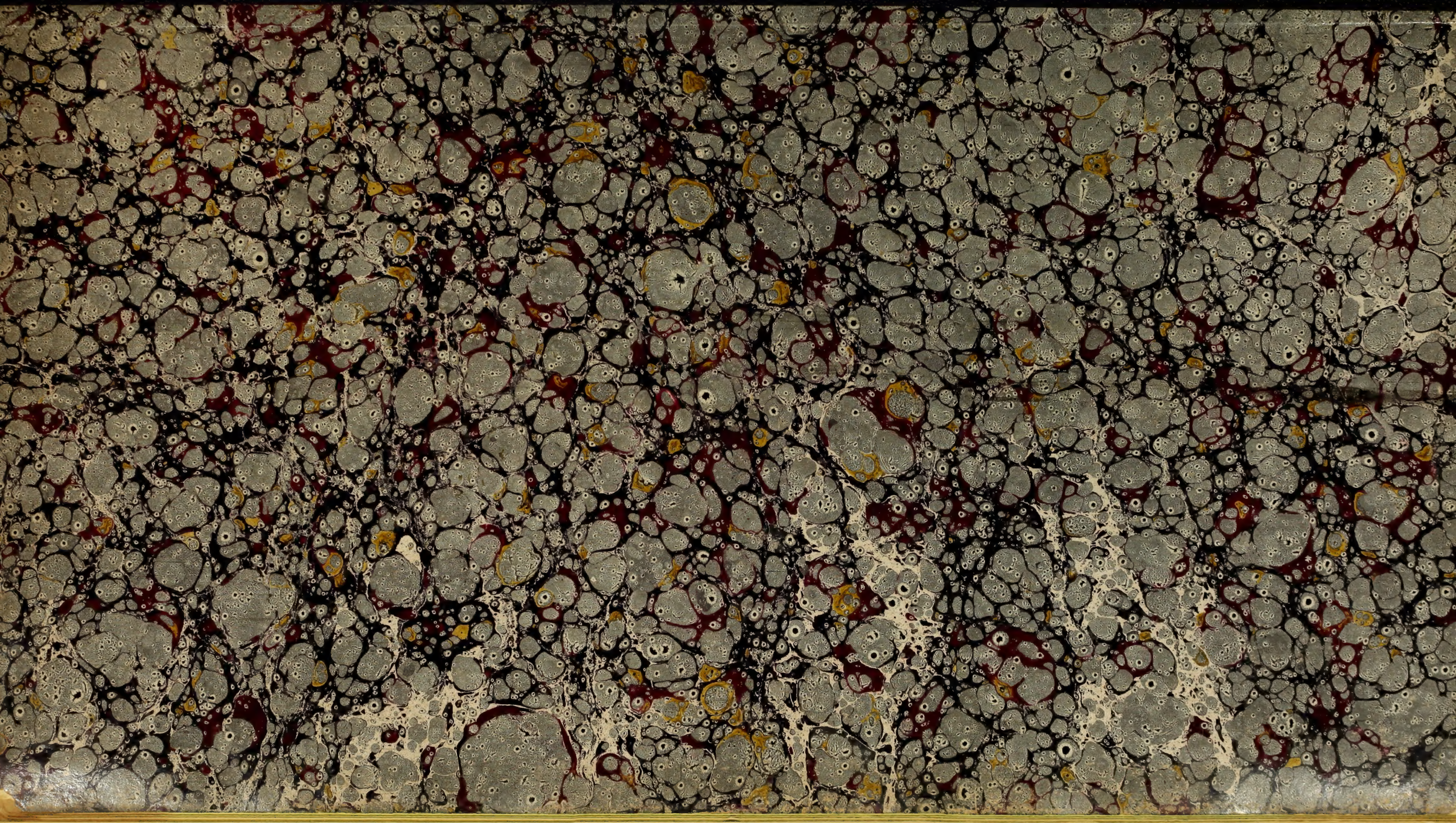
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